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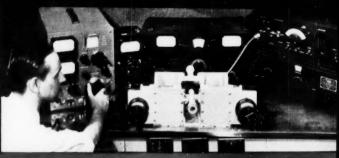
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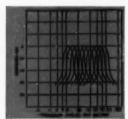
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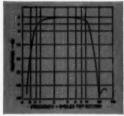
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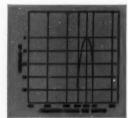
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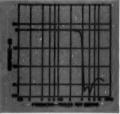


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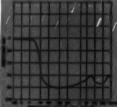


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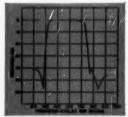


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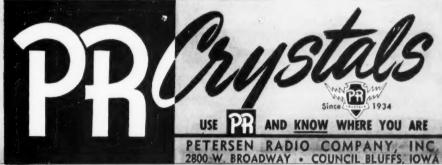


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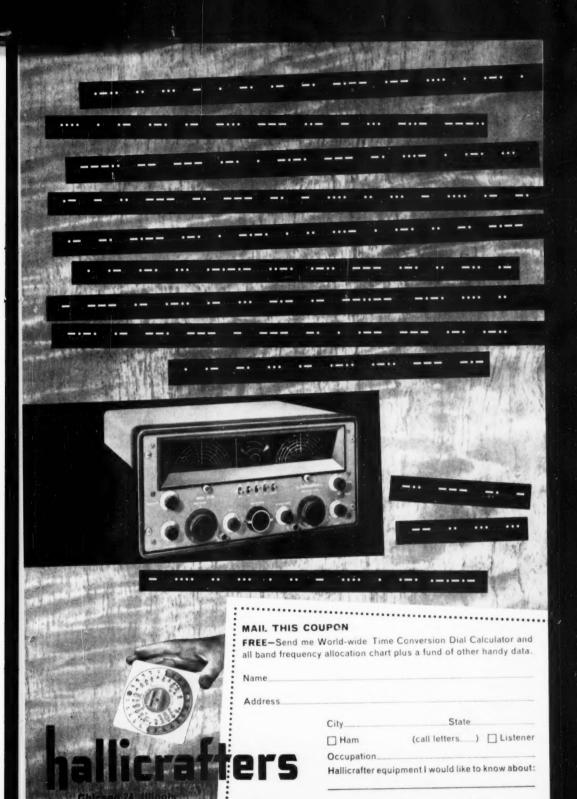
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#### **EXAMINATION COMMITTEES**

In editorial discussions earlier this year (May and June issues), we expressed the hope that ARRL affiliated clubs would set up procedures making it convenient for newcomers to join the ranks of amateur licensees under the new "mail-examination" rules. With Novice and Technician Class licenses now available only through amateur-supervised examinations, it was our thought that the smoothest transition - and indeed, the best permanent set-up — would come about only if League clubs pitched in to provide examinations on a consistent, organized basis. This is obviously better than a hit-or-miss individual scheme, having the primary advantage of uniformity and capable of being publicized generally among local would-be hams.

We are delighted to learn from an FCC public notice in late June that its Field Engineering & Monitoring Bureau independently had come to the same conclusion. The notice, an invitation to amateur clubs to assist in conducting examinations, reads as follows:

The Commission on June 30, 1954 called attention to the new radio amateur rules which became effective June 10, 1954 and the opportunity presented to Amateur Clubs and Associations to assist new amateurs and the Commission by establishing Examining Committees within their membership to undertake these examinations as an adjunct to their amateur activities.

On and after this date all Novice and Technician class amateur operator examinations must be given, and Conditional examinations will continue to be given, by volunteer examiners. These examiners must be at least 21 years of age to give the amateur theory test and to give the code test must (a) hold Extra, Advanced or General amateur privileges or (b) have, within five years, held a commercial radiotelegraph operator license issued by the FCC or (c) must, within five years of date of application, have been employed in the service of the United States as the operator of a manually operated radiotelegraph station.

The Commission hopes that Amateur Radio Clubs and Associations throughout the country will establish examination committees to assist amateurs of their areas in examinations for Conditional, Novice and Technician class licenses under the provisions of the new Commission Rules Governing Amateur Radio Service and in the spirit of amateur assistance.

It was pointed out that Engineers of the Commission's Field Engineering offices will offer every assistance to Amateur Clubs and Associations desiring to establish examining committees.

Thus the scheme now has an official blessing. It's a good plan, and a workable one. The Commission has indicated its encouragement and willingness to help local clubs in setting up examining committees. At this writing we have already received notice from several ARRL clubs of the establishment of such committees. By the time you read this, we hope they number into the hundreds. If your club has not yet started, how's to make it the first order of business at your September meeting opening the new operating season?

#### LEAGUE ELECTIONS

It's that time of year again when the Executive Committee issues a notice of upcoming elections and a call to members in half our League divisions to nominate candidates for director and vice-director posts. The current notice is in "Happenings" of this issue.

We've said it year after year, we say it again this month in "Haps," and because it is so important we repeat it here: "These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government of ARRL. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their association in the hands of representatives of their own choosing."

It is obvious that some 45,000 ARRL Full Members cannot all meet in each other's presence and participate individually in a policy and business meeting. In our representative system, therefore, members in each division in effect grant a proxy to the man they elect, a proxy to speak for them in League policy matters. Each of the sixteen ARRL directors represents, on the average, nearly 3000 amateurs. As the League continues to grow, it becomes even more important that members exercise care and wisdom in selecting directors to represent them on the Board. Right this moment, half of you have the opportunity to appraise your representatives and either renominate them for an additional term or, if you feel the division can do better, file nominating petitions for others of your choice. Which course is followed is strictly up to you and the other members in your division.

#### COMING A.R.R.L. CONVENTIONS

Sept. 17th-19th — Dakota Division, Rapid City, S. Dak.

Oct. 2nd-3rd — West Gulf Division, Kerrville, Texas

Oct. 10th — New England Division, Manchester, New Hampshire

Oct. 16th-17th — Midwest Division, Des Moines, Iowa

Oct. 30th-31st — Roanoke Division, Richmond, Virginia

#### A.R.R.L. WEST GULF DIVISION CONVENTION

Kerrville, Texas, will be host to the ARRL West Gulf Division Convention on October 2nd-3rd at the Kerr County Auditorium. The Kerrville Radio Club, sponsors of the Convention, are proud of their climate and facilities which can accommodate as many as care to come. Kerrville says everything points to this being the best convention ever held in the division.

Col. Bob Cooper, W5EYV, will be master of ceremonies, and among the many outstanding events will be entertainment, dance, golf tournament, transmitter hunts, and Wouff-Hong initiation.

The ladies program will be headed by Martha Rust, XYL of W5DEH. All licensed YLs and XYLs will be served a free breakfast at the convention.

Admission: 20 years and over \$7.50; 19 years and younger \$6.00. Both tickets include dance and banquet. The October 1st preconvention party will cost \$1.50, which includes barbecue, beer, coffee or soft drinks.

Address all communications to Convention Chairman C. R. Toler, W5FNH, P. O. Box 624, Kerrville, Texas.

#### DAKOTA CONVENTION SITE CHANGED

As the result of a change in arrangements, the September ARRL Dakota Division Convention meetings (p. 50, August QST) will be held at the Alex Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, S. Dak., instead of at the City Auditorium.

#### HAMFEST CALENDAR

ILLINOIS — The annual Egyptian-St. Louis area "Hamboree" and Pienic will be held as usual, rain or shine, on Sunday, Sept. 19th, at the Egyptian-St. Louis Radio Club Grounds 1 mile east of the Mississippi River on the south side of U. S. Highway 66.

Signs will mark the spot of the area's largest and oldest annual ham get-together. Attractions: official ARRL codespeed contest, hidden-transmitter hunt, Illinois & Mussouri Emergency Net meetings, auction, ARRL officials in person. Meet Earl "Lid" Linder, WøDZG, editor of Podunk News, Frank "The Pillow Hater" Waelterman, WøLLN, and, now for the first time in person, none other than "Diver" Delps, WøQMG, nationally known "frog man" and deep-see diver.

and deep-sea diver.

Visit the famous "Podunk Hollow Shack" and W9AIU.

Food and drinks available on the grounds. Come early and
stay late. Free admission to out-of-town hams. For further information write W9AIU or W#WPS, committee chairman.

KANSAS — Annual Hamfest of the SeKan Radio Club will be held at the Independence, Kansas, 4-H Club Building, Riverside Park, on September 12th. KANSAS — Johnson Co. Radio Amateur Club second annual Banquet-Hamfest, Quivira Lake Country Club, October 2nd. For details contact Chairman Jim Gossett, waci N.

KANSAS — The Tri-City Radio Club will conduct its Hamfest on the Sunday preceding Labor Day, September 5th. Festivities will be held at Scott City, Kansas. Admission 31, free coffee and doughnuts for those arriving early. Bring a covered dish for noon chow. This is the annual event staged by Scott City-Garden City-Dodge City ham clubs. Special events for XYLs.

LOUISIANA — Labor Day week end — Saturday night dance September 4th at Lanfants Air-Conditioned Boulevard Room. Baby sittern available. Free soft drinks and ice. Sunday. September 5th — transmitter hunts, picnic with hot dogs, beer, soft drinks. Special entertainment, contests and events for the ladnes and children. All for \$4. Children 6 to 16, \$1. Write to "Week End in New Orleans," P. O. Box 899, New Orleans 4, Louisanan (make checks payable to Greater New Orleans Amateur Radio Club).

MISSOURI — The Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual fall Picnic at Fassnight's Park, Springfield, on Sunday, September 5th, All hams, XYLs and YLs are invited. For further information contact Roy Noblette, WølCW, 2528 North Weller, Springfield, Missouri.

NEW JERSEY — The South Jersey Radio Association annual Hamfest and Pienic is to be held on September 12th at National Park, N. J. Follow the S.J.R.A. signs in from Rt. 139 to Red Bank Ave. and the Delaware River. Help us celebrate our 38th birthday by breaking last year's record attendance of nearly 600. Bring food. Free soda, plenty of tables, and pavilions in case of showers. Fun and games for the whole family. Full-size carousel, 50 swings, slides, and wading pool for the kiddies. Mobile transmitter hunts on 10 and 2 meters. Special recognition for the oldest licensed ham present. K2AA will go on the air at 11 a.M. on 3.895, 29.0 and 145.4 Mc. to "talk in" the mobiles. Registration is \$1.00 per family in advance or \$1.50 at the gate. Send check or money order payable to the South Jersey Radio Association, Inc., in care of Bob Barbor, 223 Chestnut St., Haddonfield, N. J.

NEW YORK — The S.I.A.R.A. (Staten Island Amateur Radio Association) will hold its 9th annual Pienic at Rhinehart's Pienic Grounds, Bloomingdale Rd., Pleasant Plains, S. I., Sunday, Sept. 12th, noon til (7). Registration must be made in advance to Charles Pandelaky, W2HXV, 108 Bay Terrace, S. I. 8, N. Y. Admission \$2.50 for adults, 50¢ for children. Lots of good food and liquid refreshment.

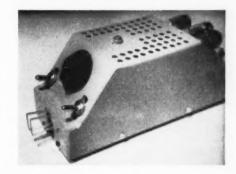
NEW YORK—Saturday, September 18th, at the Masonic Dining Room, 239 Main St., Oncida, N. Y., the Oncida area radio annateurs will sponsor the 10th Annual Hamfest and Ladies' Night. Admittance at \$3 is by advance registration only and is limited to 150, the capacity of the dining room. Registration is at 5 p.m. with the banquet at 7 p.m. Make reservations with Walter L. Babcock, W2RXW, 405 Sayles St., Oncida, N. Y., before Sept. 16th.

OHIO—Annual Findlay Hamfest sponsored by the Findlay Radio Club, W8FT, on September 12th at Riverside Park, Findlay, Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Advance tickets \$1, at the gate \$1.50. A good time for all.

OHIO — Seventeenth annual "Stag Hamfest" sponsored by the Greater Cineinnati Amateur Radio Association is to be held Sunday, Sept. 12th, at Kopling Grove (formerly Ash Grove), Winton Road at Compton Road, 2 miles south of Greenhills. Registration \$2.50 at the gate. Here's what you get: hot dogs served all day, doughnuts and coffee served until noon, beer and pop served all day, full picnic dinner and supper (all you can eat), rain or shine — plenty of shelter. Games, hidden-transmitter hunt, personalities, display booths, etc. For additional information contact Byrum Henry, W8QBJ, 1120 Elberon Ave., Cincinnati Ohio.

#### OUR COVER

Vern Chambers' latest creation — primarily an up-to-50-watt 6-band mobile rig using ganged multiband tuners — will be just as much at home drawing 90 watts on the operating table of the fixed station. Watch for it in our next issue. The miniature version of the Tur-Key is housed in a special case of galvanized sheet iron.



## The "Tur-Key" in Miniature

A New Version of a Popular Electronic Key in Compact Form

BY RICHARD H. TURRIN, W2IMU

 The original model of the all-electronic key described by W2IMU in an earlier issue has been duplicated by many. The new and more compact model described in this article should be of special interest to every c.w. man.

The original "Tur-Key" described in QST, December, 1952, while adaptable to ministure-tube design, contained several inherent complications which made construction difficult. During the course of various experiments to improve the original design, a new and rather simplified circuit evolved which readily lends itself to miniature-tube construction. The basic theory of operation remains the same as in the original design; however, two major changes in circuitry have been made. The bi-stable multivibrator, previously pulse-triggered, is now direct-coupled to the sawtooth generator. Very satis-

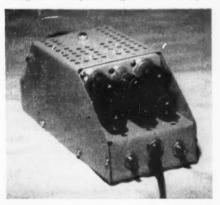
factory keying characteristics were obtained with a 6BN6 as d.c. amplifier and wave shaper. An 884 was previously used for this purpose. All the virtues of automatic recycling, self-completing action and independent speed and ratio controls are retained.

In addition, an effort was made to work out details for constructing a compact self-contained unit. Key-lever details are included and the photographs should aid in the layout and construction of the complete unit. It is hoped that this article will satisfy those who are interested in constructing an all-electronic keyer devoid of relays.

#### The Circuit

At first glance the schematic diagram, Fig. 1, might appear confusing since all plate returns are made to common chassis ground. Actually, the arrangement is an inverted conventional circuit. Notice all voltages are negative with respect to chassis ground. The purpose of this arrangement is to secure maximum negative voltage at the keyer-tube grid when the key is

Rear view of the compact electronic key, showing the tubes, output jack, and controls on the subassembly sketched in Fig. 3.



\* Gillette, N. J.

open. The heavy line in the schematic would normally be chassis ground in a conventional circuit. Description of the circuit will be divided into three parts: the power supply, the timing circuit and the vacuum-tube keyer.

#### Power Supply

The power supply produces two voltages which are added in series to obtain the total maximum of 700 volts. The 320-volt output is obtained by full-wave rectification and a single-section *R-C* filter, condenser input. This simple filter is sufficient since the maximum current drawn from this supply is about 20 milliamperes. A second

used in the previous design.  $^2$   $V_3$  and  $V_4$  form a hybrid bi-stable multivibrator which produces positive pulses for  $V_2$  grid. The timing circuit operates as follows: With the key lever in neutral position, the static condition of each stage is:  $V_1$  conducting heavily,  $V_2$  is not conducting because of the open cathode; however, its grid is positive with respect to cathode.  $V_3$  and  $V_4$  are conducting and cut off, respectively. When the key lever is closed,  $V_2$  conducts, discharging  $C_1$ , causing the voltage across  $R_3$  to decrease rapidly. Since  $V_4$  cathode and  $V_3$  grid are d.c. connected,  $V_3$  is immediately driven to cut-off.  $V_4$  conducts by virtue of the cross-connected grid-to-plate

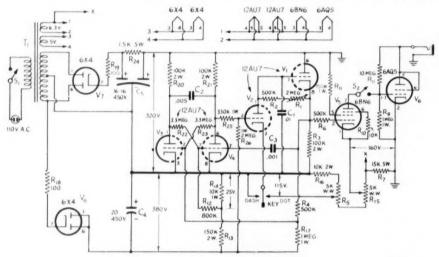


Fig. 1 - Circuit of the miniaturized Tur-Key.

 $\begin{array}{l} C_1,\,C_2,\,C_3=500 \cdot volt\ mica.\\ C_4=Electrolytic\ (Mallory\ TV-75),\\ C_5=Dual\ electrolytic\ (Aerovox\ PRS),\\ R_5,\,R_{15}=IRC\ type\ W\ potentiometer.\\ S_1,\,S_2=Toggle, \end{array}$ 

negative voltage is obtained by half-wave rectification and a single-condenser filter. This voltage is about 380 and is added in series with the 320-volt output. The current drawn from this second supply is only a few milliamperes.

Standard overload protection for both rectifiers is provided by two 100-ohm resistors, R<sub>18</sub> and R<sub>19</sub>. The 6X4 heaters are purposely connected to the 5-volt winding to avoid overloading the 6.3-volt winding. Although the heater-cathode breakdown voltage may be exceeded, no fatalities have resulted. If substitute components are used it is advisable to correct the supply voltages to within ten volts of the values shown.

Basic control of the key is maintained by  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ ,  $V_4$ , the key lever and associated circuit elements.  $V_1$  is a cathode-follower charging tube introduced by Brann.<sup>1</sup>  $V_2$  is a discharge tube

T<sub>1</sub> — Power transformer: 6.50 v. r.m.s., c.t., 40 ma.; 5 v., 2 amp.; 6.3 v., 2 amp. (Stancor PM-8406). All unrated resistors ½ watt. All capacitances in £f.

and return resistors; however,  $V_4$  plate voltage does not decrease immediately.  $C_2$  couples the rising voltage of  $V_3$  plate to  $V_4$  plate and holds this voltage constant for a period governed by the discharge time of  $C_2$ .

In addition, a negative pulse is coupled through  $C_3$  to  $V_4$  grid, holding  $V_4$  cut off momentarily after key is pressed.  $C_3$  aids the action of  $C_2$ , which results in a sharp positive pulse at  $V_4$  plate. Since  $V_2$  grid is direct-coupled to  $V_4$  plate,  $V_2$  conducts for the same short period. The duration of this pulse is important since successful operation depends on  $C_1$  being discharged to a steady-state condition. This is further illustrated in Fig. 2 by the flat bottom of the sawtooth wave.

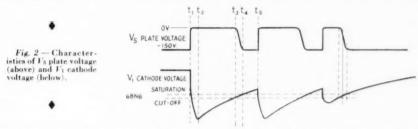
At time  $t_2$ , Fig. 2,  $C_1$  is discharged and starts charging in a positive direction through  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and the cathode follower. As the cathode voltage of  $V_1$  increases in a positive direction,  $V_3$  grid follows due to the d.c. connection. At time  $t_5$ ,  $V_3$  grid becomes sufficiently positive to cause  $V_3$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Brann, "In Search of the Ideal Electronic Key," QST, February, 1951.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Turrin, "The Tur-Key," QST, December, 1952.

to start conducting. The action which follows is a very rapid reversal of static conditions in the multivibrator. This marks the end of one complete cycle. The next cycle starts in much the same way as when the key lever was initially closed. Self-completing action is provided by the fact that the key lever need be closed for only a cathode drops very rapidly to well below  $V_5$  cathode bias. The result is that  $V_5$  plate voltage drops rapidly to zero allowing  $V_6$  to conduct. This action is illustrated in Fig. 2 at time  $t_1$ .  $R_{11}$  lowers keyer-tube plate resistance by providing a small positive voltage for the keyer-tube grid.

When the sawtooth wave reaches its mini-



small fraction of a second at the beginning of each cycle.

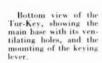
Dots are formed by discharging  $C_1$  to a less negative voltage, which shortens the charge period or cycle.  $R_5$  sets the dot-discharge voltage and is therefore the ratio control.  $R_1$  provides speed control and  $R_2$  is a current-limiting resistor to prevent damage to the 2-megohm pot.

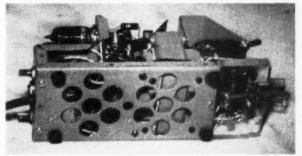
#### Keyer Tube and D.C. Amplifier

The next part that will be treated separately is the keyer tube and d.c. amplifier,  $V_6$  and  $V_5$ , respectively.  $V_6$  is used in a conventional vacuumtube keyer circuit; however, the available grid-voltage swing will limit the maximum voltage to the keyed stage to about 300 volts. Also, the 12-watt maximum plate dissipation of the 6AQ5 should not be exceeded. The 6BN6 was chosen as d.c. amplifier because of its ability to go from cutoff to saturation with about one volt change at the control grid. The driving voltage for  $V_5$  is a saw-

mum at  $t_2$ , it starts back in a positive direction. At time  $t_3$  the grid of  $V_5$  reaches cutoff and  $V_5$ begins to conduct. At  $t_4$ ,  $V_5$  draws grid current and saturates. The voltage waveform at  $V_{\delta}$ plate is therefore a greatly amplified and inverted slice of the sawtooth. The position of the trailing edge of this wave or character may be shifted by changing the cathode bias on  $V_5$ .  $R_{15}$  therefore provides the weight control. The slope or "tailing" of the trailing edge may be exaggerated for a softer break action by increasing the value of  $R_8$ . Decreasing the value of  $R_8$  will sharpen the break action only slightly if the 6BN6 is in good condition. A weak 6BN6 will give results similar to increasing R<sub>8</sub>. S<sub>2</sub> provides a means to close the key for tuning the transmitter

Several alternate keying methods may be employed. Where high voltages or large currents are keyed, it may be necessary to use a keying relay. The relay coil can be connected to the 6AQ5 plate and a low positive-voltage supply. Direct





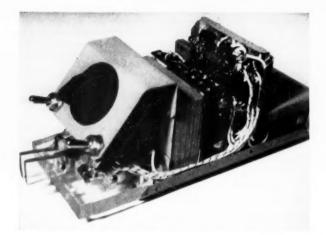
tooth wave taken from  $V_1$  cathode. This voltage is illustrated in Fig. 2, and is of sufficient amplitude to drive  $V_5$  well into saturation or cutoff.  $R_6$  limits the 6BN6 grid current.

When the key lever is open, the 6BN6 will be conducting saturation plate current of about 0.5 milliampere. The voltage appearing at the 6BN6 plate provides keyer-tube bias and will depend on the setting of  $R_{15}$ . Upon closing the key to either dot or dash side, the voltage at  $V_1$ 

grid-block keying is possible by removing the 6AQ5 and using the 6BN6 plate output. A shielded lead may be necessary in this case.

#### Construction Notes

The prime mechanical design consideration was minimum size. Over-all dimensions of the case are 3½ by 3½ by 9 inches. As a result of this design, some unorthodox subassemblies resulted which will need explanation. Three sub-



Side view showing switches and speed control mounted on a subpanel suspended from the power transformer. This view also shows how the subassembly of Fig. 3, in the rear, is formed.

assemblies are required in addition to the case. Galvanized sheet iron was used for all fabrication. The bottom piece is formed into a channel  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide by 7 inches long, with  $\frac{3}{2}$ -inch sides. A number of large ventilation holes is required in this piece. The transformer is bolted directly to this member, as well as a plastic key base (Fig. 5). The plastic base overlaps the metal bottom by  $\frac{3}{2}$ s inch and is secured here

Fig. 3 — Layout of main subassembly. Right-angle bends are made along the dotted lines. (Refer to photographs for direction of bends.) Small holes are for selftapping mounting screws. Dimensions are in inches.

with three 6-32 screws.  $R_{24}$  and  $R_7$  are bolted vertically to the bottom piece, on either side of the transformer.  $C_1$  is directly in front of the transformer and wired in place with stiff wire.

A second subassembly is shown bolted to the transformer, just above the key lever. This piece supports the speed control and two switches, a.c. and "tune-up." It is advisable to insulate the shaft of  $R_1$  thoroughly from the metal mounting and cover. Leakage or intermittent breakdown at this point could easily cause erratic operation. The shape of this piece will depend on the outer case, and should match closely in order that the two will register properly.

The third subassembly is more complicated since it contains the six tube sockets, output jack, ratio and weight controls, and most of the small components. Fig. 3 and the photographs show the details of this piece. A grommeted hole is provided just below the output jack for the a.c. line cord. The rear-view photograph shows the tube-socket arrangement. The order from left to right is as follows:  $V_1$ - $V_2$ ,  $V_5$ ,  $V_3$ - $V_4$ , top row;  $V_8$ ,  $V_6$ ,  $V_7$ , bottom row.  $C_4$  and  $C_5$  are located directly in front of  $R_5$  and  $R_{15}$ . This assembly may be completely wired before being bolted to the bottom plece at the rear. Small parts are self-supported from the tube sockets.  $R_4$ ,  $R_{14}$ ,  $R_{13}$ ,  $R_{17}$ ,  $R_{25}$  and  $R_{26}$  are secured to a terminal strip which is bolted to the top of the transformer.

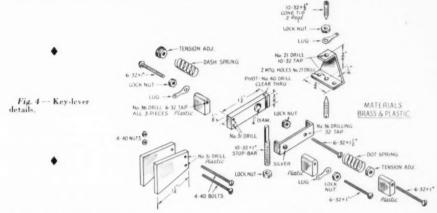
The cover or case was handmade to fit the sub-assemblies combined. The exact shape may be altered to suit the individual; however, the top surface must be thoroughly perforated for good ventilation. A small pilot jewel is included on top, the pilot-light assembly being secured to the transformer top. The cover serves a very useful purpose as well as being ornamental. Rather high voltages are required, and it is well to cover the entire unit, especially the key-lever mechanism, to avoid hazard to the operator.

All subassemblies are cut, bent and given a spray coat of enamel before mounting parts and wiring. No special precautions are necessary in wiring; however, suitable insulation should be provided at points of high voltage. Note carefully that the 6.3-volt winding is not grounded, but is connected to the junction of  $R_{15}$  and  $R_{2}$ . This is done to minimize heater-to-cathode voltage for most tubes. Only good-quality mica capacitors should be used at  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$ . The composition resistors of values greater than 200K ohms should be checked for accuracy with an

and bar. Use care when drilling and tapping plastic since it will heat and crack easily.

#### Final Adjustment

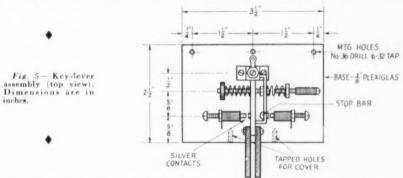
After the wiring has been carefully checked, the unit is turned on and several voltage checks are made. Those voltages shown in Fig. 1 may be measured with a 20,000-ohm/volt meter and should check within five per cent. The keyer is



ohmmeter before wiring in the circuit. Tolerance of 10 per cent is allowable, if not cumulative in a group of resistors.

#### Key-Lever Detail

One of the obstacles in electronic-key construction is the key-lever mechanism. The modified "bug" arrangement is definitely not recomnow connected to a suitable monitor, and tested for operation. If difficulty is encountered in producing either dots or dashes, or in making the correct ratio adjustment, it may be necessary to adjust the value of  $R_4$  or  $R_{25}$  slightly. However, the circuit should function without difficulty if the information given is followed closely. Once the keyer is functioning it is imperative that



mended for this circuit. A unique lever is therefore presented to complete the electronic keyer. This mechanism produces the identical feel of a "bug," and is relatively simple to construct. Two views are shown which include sufficient information for construction. Notice the paddle arm is supported from a single pivot. The second pivot is the V-shaped slot. Materials are scrap brass and plastic. Silver contacts were removed from old relays, and soldered to the brass screws

correct ratio and weight adjustments be made and maintained. These adjustments are essentially the same for any fully-automatic key, and have been outlined in previous articles.

The keyer will consume about 42 watts, and when operating properly will perform well over a wide range of line voltages. Operation in strong r.f. fields may produce false triggering and should be avoided. The model shown has been used successfully for several months.

## Have You Tried V.H.F. Mobile?

Hints for More Effective Use of 6 and 2 in Mobile Work

BY EDWARD P. TILTON.\* WIHDO

PENING of our lower frequencies to mobile work in the summer of 1948 touched off a boom that has as yet shown no signs of tapering off. Coming as it did at a time when we were meeting the TVI problem head on, the privilege of using 20, 40 and 80 in the family car was the means of many hams staying on the air. The break could hardly have come at a more

opportune time

Descriptions of mobile rigs and antenna systems took over many pages of QST, and parking lots near hamfests and conventions sprouted amazing assortments of loops, hats, coils and whips. Mobile hamming on the lower frequencies took hold as have few trends in the history of our hobby, and interest in v.h.f. mobile slumped accordingly. The last few years have seen v.h.f. mobile stage a comeback, however, and today there are perhaps more 2-meter mobiles than ever before. For the first time in some seasons there is interest in mobile operation on 6 as well.

Several factors account for this resurgence of interest. Emphasis on v.h.f. in civilian defense planning probably triggered it off. Available lower frequencies were filled quickly in many areas, once c.d. work began in earnest, and it became obvious that 6 and 2 would have to be used to do the job. Then once these bands were given a real try under modern conditions they were found to have features that sell them

to the mobile-for-fun ham as well.

The writer is in the latter category, but he lost interest in mobile operation on his favorite bands some years ago. When we last had extensive mobile use of the frequencies above 30 Mc., most of the gear was woefully inadequate for the job. Home stations were usually low-powered rigs. often of the haywire modulated-oscillator variety. Antennas were simple dipoles, mainly, and receivers were far from effective. The result was that coverage with a mobile rig was limited to a very few miles radius from the fixed station being worked. You had to drive to some high-altitude location if you wanted to cover much territory. It was fun to have a rig in the car for such weekend excursions, but casual mobile operation didn't amount to much otherwise.

Under 1954 conditions, however, v.h.f. mobile is quite a different story. Today's home rigs are of good quality, often running considerable power. Most antenna systems are high-gain beams, and the converters and receivers used for fixed-station work approach the ultimate in performance. Result: the v.h.f. mobile station now enjoys a reliable radius of operation that can make users of lower frequencies sit up and take notice. Freedom from QRM is a big factor in this, of course, but the greater refraction and reflection characteristics of v.h.f. waves are important too. For reliable coverage of a "service area" moving higher in frequency is going in the right direction

#### 75, 10, 6 or 2?

If you live and drive in an area where the nearest ham is 50 miles away, you'll probably be in no hurry to put 6 or 2 in your car. But if you live in one of the many spots where v.h.f. interest is high, you're missing something if you haven't tried the higher bands in the car recently. The 144-Mc. band, particularly, is now occupied to the extent that it is possible to make mobile contacts almost at will in and around most of our larger cities and not a few of the smaller ones.

Considered from the standpoint of their worth in local coverage, 144 Mc. leads, with the bands lower in frequency tapering off in reverse order. The bending and reflection of 2-meter waves give a surprising degree of fill-in, allowing solid communication out to 20 miles or so in average irregular terrain, even with low power. This accounts for the present trend of commercial mobile services to v.h.f. With comparable power, you'll probably find that 2 will give you more solid coverage than 10, with 6 falling somewhere in between. This assumes a quarter-wave whip for each band - and thereby hangs a potent argument for 144 Mc. Compare the well-nigh invisible installation shown in the first photograph with the sort of thing commonly used in 10-meter work!

We can skip 15, 20 and 40 in this discussion. for they are not normally used for local communication. The 75-meter band unquestionably provides more activity and better prospects for round-the-clock operation with a mobile installation than any other amateur band. But this very popularity of the band is also its greatest liability in many cases. It's fine to be able to hear signals any time anywhere when traveling - but how far can you get with a 10-watt 75-meter mobile on a busy week end, or during the evening hours? Not far, unless you have the cooperation of a group of high-powered stations to keep a channel cleared for you.

The reliable range on 144 Mc., on the other hand, is just about constant, day or night, depending only on finding stations to work. Several months' experience with our 2-meter mobile installation indicates that there are few cities in the East where it is not possible to make contacts in the evening hours, or over week ends.

We've run out of signals, a few times in our travels, but we've never been buried by them. The log of W1HDQ/mobile shows page after page of QSOs on 144 Mc. Good solid easygoing ragchews they were, too, unmarred by

QRM from distant points.

Equipment? A pocket-sized transmitter 1 with a 2E26 in the final, running about 10 watts input. feeds a 19-inch whip mounted on the rear deck. The receiver used most of the time has been a simple 4-tube job originally described in QST for Novice use.2 It is operated from two smallsized "B" batteries, so the whole set-up is very easy on the car battery. The installation is as close to an "invisible mobile" as you're likely to come, a factor that helps to keep peace in a family car installation.

Without the call plate on the antenna mount, it's hard to see evidence of amateur radio on our car from more than a few feet away. Not one visible hole was made during installation. There is nothing to interfere with passenger comfort or convenience; no special generators and extra batteries, no ungainly fish poles. And when we come to trading time again, the whole works can be removed without a trace in a few minutes' time.

We had a pleasant experience with no-hole antenna mounts when the car shown in the mobile antenna pictures in October, 1953, QST <sup>3</sup> was turned in recently. "It's a real beauty," the dealer said, but he looked questioningly at the rooftop antenna. When we peeled the tapedon mount off the top and showed him that no hole had been made, the deal was on, at top

"New Equipment," May, 1954, QST, page 47.
 Titton, "A V.H.F. Receiver for the Novice or Technician," November, 1951, QST, page 33.
 "Two-Meter Mobile Enjoys a Boom," October, 1953,

QST, page 55.

<sup>4</sup> Blodgett, "Two in a Car," December, 1952, QST, page 40



Antenna mount for 2-meter mobile, Only two small holes, for self-tapping screws, are required, and these are drilled in the inside edge of the rear deck opening. The antenna is made of piano wire. Mounting bracket is 3/32-inch sheet aluminum, bent as required for the car in question.

· Commercial use of radio for mobile communication began on low frequencies and has moved gradually higher. Amateur mobile experience began on 56 Me., and moved over to lower frequencies to a large extent when our DX bands were opened to mobile operation a few years ago. In recent months, v.h.f. mobile interest has been staging a comeback. however. Below are some reasons why, plus receiver and antenna ideas you may find useful if you're planning to go mobile on the v.h.f. bands.

trading price. If you quake at the thought of going after the family chariot with a circle cutter, or if the Little Woman is allergic to 12-foot whips, 2 may be for you! Or 6: the average broadcast whip is just the right length for 6-meter mobile

#### The Receiver Problem

The lack of suitable receiving equipment, ready-made, has been one reason for v.h.f. lagging behind in the boom in mobile operation. That condition is being corrected currently by several manufacturers, and some nice 2-meter gear is now available for those who want to "go commercial." We hear rumors that some comparable 6-meter receivers will also soon be on the market. Meanwhile, it is quite possible to build your own, and come up with something entirely satisfactory.

The usual tunable converter is probably adequate for 50-Mc. mobile use, but tunable oscillators are tough to build for 144 Mc. The stability problem becomes acute if selectivity of the carradio variety is used. A crystal-controlled converter for 144 Mc. that will work into a tunable converter for lower bands \* makes a fine 2-meter receiving system if you can take the extra current drain this approach entails. Not to be overlooked for tunable i.f. service are the BC-454 and BC-455, still available on the surplus market at moderate cost.

A mobile receiving system that has had little attention in recent years is the superregenerative detector. Not the squealing broad-tuning abomination of the transceiver days, but a modern version that makes the best use of the extraordinary features this type of detector affords. To see how it would perform under today's 2-meter conditions, we hooked up a coaxial-line superregenerative job we designed for the v.h.f. beginner some years ago.2

This was a 3-tube receiver originally, A 6AK5 broadband r.f. stage provides some gain and isolates another 6AK5 that serves as a coaxialline-tuned detector. A 6AK6 single audio stage was originally used, but a triode audio amplifier was added between the detector and the 6AK6 to build up the audio amplification to a level suitable for use in a car. The total drain from a 90-volt "B" supply is only a little over 10 milliamperes. No strain on the car battery here!

The superregen has several useful features in addition to its economy and simplicity. It has inherent a.v.c. and noise-limiting action, functions that require extra tubes with other systems. It is unequaled for sensitivity per tube. On the debit side, the superregen tends to tune broadly. It has a generally poor signal-to-noise ratio on very weak signals, and it can radiate a screeching form of interference that is most annoying.

These weaknesses are largely overcome in the coaxial-line job. Radiation is reduced to the point where it is inaudible in our home-station receiver when the mobile job is running in the car parked in the driveway. Selectivity is markedly improved by the combination of the r.f. amplifier and the coaxial tank in the detector. Sensitivity, while well below that of a good receiver of the superhet variety, is adequate to bring in anyone you're likely to work with the power generally used in 2-meter mobile transmitters. Rejection of ignition noise is good enough to permit copying all but the weakest signals while the car is in motion - this in a car that has had no noise-suppression work done on it by the writer.

The receiver is mounted in an inverted position under the dash, in a space reserved for the car broadcast receiver — a device we can live without handily. A small oval-shaped speaker is mounted in back of the car radio grill, and the receiver is powered by two small 45-volt "B" batteries in the rear compartment.

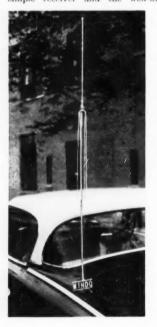
Comparisons have been made between this simple receiver and the well-known Gonset

Communicator. Selectivity is about the same for the two units, because of the high i.f. used in the Gonset. Weak signals are much more readable on the latter, of course, when the car engine is dead, and the higher audio level of the Gonset receiver is helpful in overriding the road and wind noise at high speeds. But the simple receiver does do the job—and well enough to provide plenty of fun for the 2-meter mobile enthusiast who wants something simple and inexpensive to build. Being able to receive for hours on end without worrying about battery drain is also a pleasing feature of the superregen.

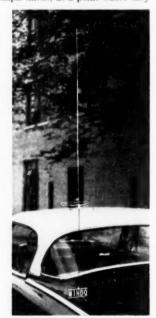
#### Antennas - Invisible and Otherwise

Our aim in this mobile installation was to make it as unobtrusive as possible. The transmitter, antenna relay and receiver "B" batteries are in the rear compartment. A 300-volt 175-ma. genemotor and a headlight relay for starting it are mounted under the hood alongside the car battery. The control panel has heater switches for transmitter and receiver and a third switch for actuating the starting and antenna relays. This is mounted in the dash space normally occupied by car radio controls. The main control switch breaks the B-plus lead to the receiver when it is thrown to the "transmit" position. That's all there is to the station.

Details of the antenna mount can be seen in the photographs. It is made of a piece of 3/32inch aluminum bent so that it makes a tight slip-on fit over the side of the rear deck opening. It is held in place by two self-tapping screws, requiring only two small holes in the interior edge of the compartment, at a point where they



Two demountable antennas that can be used in place of the 19-inch whip when greater range is needed. At the left is a "coaxial" dipole using a 19-inch whip atop an extension assembly that is fitted with vertical rods to form the skirt portion of the dipole. The collinear vertical, right, gives substantial gain over the short whip, and may be used on 10 and 6 meters as well.



are out of sight when the cover is in its normal position. An Amphenol type 83-1R coaxial fitting is fastened to this mounting bracket, and a short length of coax runs from this fitting to the antenna relay. A small half-round notch was filed in the top edge of the inside wall, allowing the coax to pass under the cover without clamping on it too tightly. The soft rubber weather stripping fits firmly around the coax when the cover is down.

This is a convenient set-up for trying various antennas. Any array that is set up and matched for 50-ohm feed can be connected to the fitting without requiring adjustments at the transmitter. Arrangements we've used include a <sup>3</sup>4-wave whip, the rooftop mounting described in October, 1953, QST, <sup>3</sup> several portable arrays that can be dismantled for easy carrying in the car, and the assortment of gadgets shown in the accompanying

photographs.

For our operation while in motion, we use either a 19-inch whip made of piano wire, or a chromium-plated brass rod of the same length, both mounted in Amphenol type 83-1SP fittings. These tiny antennas don't look impressive by comparison with the mobile monstrosities used on lower bands, but they work out surprisingly well. We've had many satisfactory contacts at distances out to more than 40 miles while traveling at high speed, and stations more than 100 miles distant have been copied on several occasions with the car stationary. The weak-signal range under stationary conditions depends on the elevation and weather at the time, of course, but it has surprised the writer again and again. The pattern with the rear deck mounting appears to be vaguely clover leaf in shape, with the best lobe off the right rear side.

For something a little better in work with vertically-polarized stations, we use either of the arrangements shown on the opposite page. One is a simplified form of coaxial dipole, and the other a collinear array. The "coaxial" dipole is mounted on a piece of tubing (of any convenient length) that has coaxial fittings at each end, connected by coax that runs up inside the tubing. The skirt consists of four pieces of aluminum TV ground wire mounted on the four corners of the upper fitting and bent down alongside the vertical support. These can also be left projecting horizontally, if one prefers a ground-plane type of antenna. One of the 19-inch whips is screwed onto the top fitting to make the upper portion of the

dipole.

The mounting bracket we use is none too solid for operation while in motion with this assembly, but these special antennas are used mainly when we want a little boost in signal while working in one spot. The coaxial is good for two or three db. gain over the whip alone, the collinear giving five to six db.

Where both 2 and 6 are to be used in the mobile set-up, a convenient antenna is a whip that will work as a quarter-wave on 6 and three quarter-waves on 2. If the whip is adjustable, it can be set for optimum performance



Horizontal dipole for mobile work. A 38-inch brass rod, fed with a gamma match, is bent into a circle of about one-foot diameter. It is attached to the same assembly as is used for the coasial dipole. Matching tap and variable capacitor are about 4 inches from the center.

when changing bands, but no great loss in effectiveness results if a fixed length of about 55 inches is used for both. Many standard broadcast whips are just about right for this application. The radiation angle on 144 Mc. is higher than with the 19-inch whip, so the performance is not quite equal to the shorter one, but it is a convenient compromise for two-band work.

Checking mobile operation on three bands gave us an opportunity to use a choice pun we've been holding for months, to introduce a mobile radiator for 10, 6 and 2. The device shown at the right on page 18 is a highly effective radiator for 144 Mc. On this band it is a quarter-wave radiator and a half-wave radiator with a folded half-wave phasing section between them. By removing the phasing section and shorting out the ceramic spacer we have a 50-Me. quarterwave. With the phasing section left as shown for 2-meter use, the system is also usable as a centerloaded 10-meter quarter-wave. If the top section is an adjustable whip, the over-all length can be varied to give good performance on all three bands. We call it, inevitably, "the 2, 6 an' 10-na!"

The bottom portion is our 19-inch rod, the top of which is tapped to take a 6/32 screw and fitted with a 1-inch ceramic stand-off. The phasing section is 40 inches of aluminum TV ground wire bent into a 19½-inch U. This, in turn, is coiled up as shown in the photograph. The top section is a standard adjustable broadcast whip. This is set for about 38-inch length when the gadget is used for 2-meter work. The whip and

## Build Your Own Panoramic Adapter

A Useful Adjunct for Visual Reception

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 As most OST readers probably know. the panoramic receiver is a system that reproduces signals in visual form on a cathode-ray tube screen. With it, it is possible to "see," simultaneously, all signals within a range (100 kc. in this case) either side of any center frequency to which the receiver is tuned. This article tells how to build an adapter that can be attached to your communications receiver to provide panoramic reception, without interrupting the normal functioning of the receiver on aural signals. While it is not a project to attract the beginner, the many hams who have contact with TV servicing, or other branches of the electronics field, are sure to find it interesting and useful, and far from "too complicated."

EBSTER gives two definitions for the word "panorama": (1) a view in all directions, and (2) a scene that moves before one's eyes. The term "panoramic reception" could hardly be more descriptive, since both definitions can be said to apply.

Panoramic reception is the simultaneous visual representation of all received signals within a selected band of frequencies. If you were to plot a graph of frequency versus S-meter readings, as you tuned a receiver across a portion of its range, the result would be something like Fig. 1. Each pip represents a different signal in this band, and the height of each pip represents the relative amplitude or strength of that particular signal. The panoramic receiver provides a similar representation on the screen of a cathode-ray tube.

Panoramic reception is extremely useful, and a most interesting addition to the ham shack. Its \* 192 Mills St., Morristown, N. J.

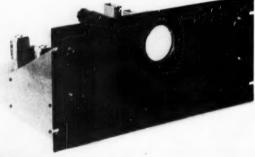
versatility and importance speak for themselves. Anyone having had the opportunity to use a panoramic receiver is immediately convinced of its functional position in communications. In addition to its ability to scan a band of frequencies continuously, it provides an excellent means for checking transmitter modulation, whether a.m., f.m. or s.s.b. It is useful in checking transmitters for spurious and parasitic signals as well as key clicks. These checks can be made on the home rig and also on received signals.

#### Principle of Operation

To obtain the graph of S-meter readings mentioned earlier, it was, of course, necessary to tune the receiver over the desired band. Since the tuning of h.f. amplifier stages is relatively broad. a limited band of frequencies might be covered with a superhet receiver by tuning only the h.f. oscillator. In the panoramic receiver, this tuning is done electronically through the use of a reactance tube. This tube acts like a variable inductance in parallel with the inductance in the oscillator circuit. When the grid of the reactance tube is driven by another (sweep) oscillator, its apparent inductance will vary continuously at a rate corresponding to the frequency of the sweep oscillator. Thus, the oscillator in the receiver will be swept back and forth over a band of frequencies. When the output of the second detector in the receiver is fed to the vertical plates of a cathode-ray tube (with horizontal sweep), the pattern on the screen will be similar to Fig. 1. The band of frequencies to be observed may be selected merely by tuning the receiver in the usual manner.

Using the communications receiver in this manner does not permit simultaneous aural and visual reception. A separate receiver might be provided for visual reception, but the most con-





A panoramic adapter with a 3-inch cathode-ray tube. Controls along the bottom of the panel, left to right, are for equalizer, scan-band width, equalizer, scan-band width, horizontal size, and centering. Above to the left is the vertical-size control, balanced by the power switch on the right. Immediately below the c.r.t. are focus and intensity controls: above are two positioning controls.

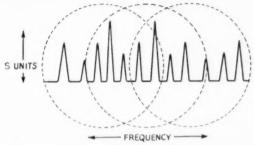
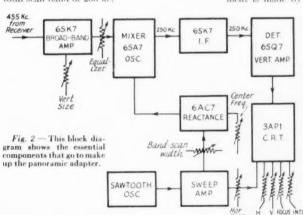


Fig. 1—Graph that might be obtained by plotting receiver S-meter readings as the receiver is slowly tuned over a hand of frequencies. The portions enclosed in the dotted circles represent the signals that might be "seen" on the screen of the panoramic adapter with the receiver tuning at three different settings.

venient (and least expensive) arrangement makes use of an adapter connected to the communications receiver. This has the advantage that the aural and visual signals are tuned simultaneously by the receiver tuning control. When adjusted normally, the signal heard in the aural channel will be centered in the visual scan band.

With this system, the 455-kc. i.f. signal is taken from the mixer output of the communications receiver, and fed to a separate converter in the adapter. The reactance tube works on the oscillator of this converter whose output is fed into an i.f. amplifier and detector which feeds the vertical plates of the cathode-ray tube.

This article describes such an adapter. It is designed to operate with any standard communications receiver of the superhet variety having an i.f. of 455 kc. plus or minus a few kc. The receiver to which the adapter is connected should preferably have one r.f. stage to give some image rejection, but the selectivity of more than one r.f. stage will decrease the portion of the spectrum that can be scanned satisfactorily. With a single r.f. stage, the response will be flat, or nearly so, over a range of plus or minus 100 kc. from the frequency to which the receiver is tuned, giving a total scan band of 200 kc.



#### Basic Sections

The panoramic adapter has three basic sections — a heterodyne-receiver portion converting the 455-kc. signal from the receiver mixer to 250 kc., a reactance-tube and sweep-oscillator section for scanning, and a cathode-ray tube. Fig. 2 shows these sections in a simplified block diagram.

The various controls are shown in their positions relative to the block units. Vertical size (gain) is varied by changing the bias on the broadband stage. Horizontal size is controlled by varying the amplitude of the sawtooth voltage applied to the horizontal deflection plates of the c.r.t. The converter-oscillator fre-

quency is centered on 705 kc. (to convert 455 kc. to 250 kc.) by adjusting the bias on the reactance-control tube. The scan width is set by varying the amplitude of the sawtooth wave applied to the reactance-tube control grid. Vertical position, horizontal position, focus and brightness are adjusted in the high-voltage bleeder circuit, as in many oscilloscopes.

#### Circuit Details

The circuit diagram of the panoramic adapter is shown in Fig. 3. The input signal is taken from the plate of the mixer in the receiver, using the coupling system shown.

The signals are amplified by  $V_1$ , a Type 68K7 tube. This stage has bandpass circuits with adjustable shape characteristics. Roughly, the response is from 555 to 355 kc., with peaks near each end to help compensate for the attenuation at the ends of the band scanned, caused by the receiver's input selectivity. This attenuation varies from band to band on the usual communications receiver, so a unique connection of the second i.f. transformer,  $T_2$ , is used to vary the response characteristic as necessary to maintain an essentially flat over-all response. This adjustment is made by a single panel control on the

25K pot at  $T_2$ .  $V_2$ , a 6SA7, is the oscillator-mixer. The signal input to the adapter is always between 355 and 555 kc., with a center frequency of 455 kc. To produce the adapter i.f. frequency of 250 kc., the oscillator section of the 6SA7 must sweep over the range from 355 + 250 = 605 kc., or a center frequency of

A 6AC7 is used as the reactance tube. It is connected across the 6SA7 oscillator inductance, L<sub>1</sub>. The center frequency (705 kc.) is

705 kc. plus or minus 100

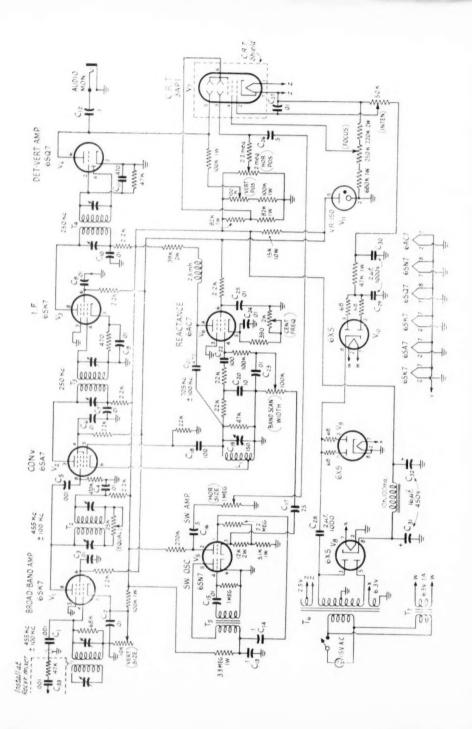


Fig. 3 — Complete circuit of the panoramic adapter. C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>, C<sub>18</sub>, C<sub>20</sub>, C<sub>21</sub>, C<sub>22</sub>, C<sub>33</sub> — Mi C<sub>12</sub>, C<sub>13</sub>, C<sub>14</sub>, C<sub>16</sub>, C<sub>17</sub>, C<sub>26</sub> — Paper, C<sub>28</sub>, C<sub>29</sub>, C<sub>30</sub> — Oil-filled paper. Mica.

Electrolytic,

All other condensers may be either paper or disk ceramic

All resistors 1/2 watt, unless otherwise specified. B.f.o. coil for 455 kc., or 1.1-mh. choke or coil tapped at 0.2 mh.

2 — Replacement 455-kc. i.f. transformer.

Ta. Ta Replacement 262-ke. i.f. transformer.

Audio interstage transformer, 3:1.

Power transformer: 350-0-350 volts r.m.s., 90 ma.; 5 volts, 3 amp.; 6.3 volts, 3.5 amp. (Stan-cor P-6012 or equivalent).

Filament transformer: 6.3 volts, 1 amp.

adjusted accurately by varying the bias on the 6AC7. A 6SN7 is used as a sawtooth oscillator and amplifier which drives the grid of the reactance tube. The width of the band scanned is adjusted by a potentiometer. The sweep amplifier also serves as the horizontal sweep for the c.r.t. The amplitude (horizontal size) is adjusted by another potentiometer.

A 6SK7 and standard 262-kc, transformers are used in the i.f. amplifier. No difficulty was encountered in adjusting the transformers to 250 kc. A 6SQ7 is used as second detector and vertical-deflection amplifier. Direct coupling facilitates signal-level indication and modulationpercentage measurements.

#### Power Supply

The adapter's power supply uses three Type 6X5 tubes,  $V_8$ ,  $V_9$  and  $V_{10}$ , and a VR-150,  $V_{11}$ . They provide a negative high voltage for the cathode-ray tube, and a positive low voltage for the other tubes. The negative high-voltage supply employs a voltage-doubler circuit using two of the 6X5 tubes. One of the 6X5 (V10) heater voltages is obtained from a separate filament transformer. This additional filament transformer is used so that the heater-to-cathode voltage rating is not exceeded, as it would be if the tube's heater were at ground potential.

The heater voltage for the 3API cathode-ray tube, 2.5 volts, is obtained from one half of the 5-volt winding normally used for the rectifier

A 6X5 is also used in the positive low-voltage supply, and it has its heater connected in common with the other tubes.

#### Construction

A standard relay-rack panel and chassis are used, because of their popularity and because

> Bottom view of the panoramic adapter. The equalizer control is to the right, mounted on a bracket close to  $T_2$ . To the left of the equalizer control shaft is the oscillator coil,  $L_1$ , and its tuning condenser,  $C_{19}$ .  $T_5$  is to the left of  $L_1$ . To length, the accommodate the c.r.t. chassis is spaced 1½ inches from the panel.

this type of construction matches a great deal of existing equipment. The chassis is 11 by 17 by 3 inches, and the panel is 834 by 19 inches.

No particular attention has to be given to the chassis layout beyond ordinary receiver-construction practice. A cathode-ray tube shield for the 3AP1 is necessary for compact layout. To do without the shield, it would be necessary to locate the transformers and choke at some distance from the cathode-ray tube to minimize the effect of their magnetic fields on the electron beam.

The brightness and focus pots should be insulated. They are mounted on fiber brackets, just behind the panel, with insulated shaft extensions through the panel bushings.

The four controls grouped around the cathoderay tube are for focus, brightness, horizontal position and vertical position. The equalizing

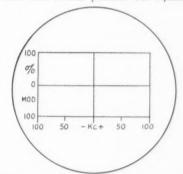


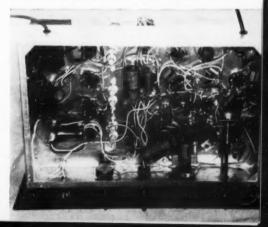
Fig. 4 - Calibrating scale for the c.r.t. of the panoramic adapter.

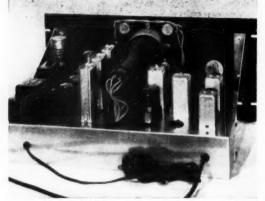
control is mounted as near its associated i.f. transformer as practical. It can be seen in the bottom-view photograph, at the right.

A scale or graph for the front of the c.r.t. can be constructed from thin lucite, similar to the one shown in Fig. 4. Accurate markings for modulation percentage should be made with the aid of a signal generator having the necessary calibration. For approximate modulation percentage measurements the screen can be assumed to be linear at low audio frequencies.

#### Installation

Most receivers do not have connections for panoramic adapters. If there is any objection to





Rear view of the panoramic adapter. The power supply is to the left and the r.f. section to the right. Along the right end of the chassis, from the rear, toward the panel, are T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>1</sub>, T<sub>2</sub> and V<sub>2</sub>. In lime along the c.r.t. are V<sub>4</sub>, V<sub>3</sub>, T<sub>4</sub> and V<sub>5</sub>. The empty socket is not used.

the installation of a panoramic-adapter connector, connection to the mixer-tube plate can be made above the chassis by connecting  $C_{33}$  directly to the tube pin itself.

The installation of a connector is as follows: The connector is mounted on the rear skirt of the chassis and as near to the mixer tube as practicable. Any convenient type of coax connector will suffice.  $C_{33}$  and its associated resistor in series are connected to the mixer-tube plate right at the tube socket. A lead is run from the resistor to the jack. This lead should be of coax and be kept as short as practicable.

#### Alignment Procedure

For initial adjustment, allow receiver and adapter to warm up for 15 to 30 minutes.

The first step in alignment is to adjust the adapter's oscillator to 705 kc. A broadcast receiver can be used for this adjustment or, if the receiver to which the panoramic adapter is connected has a b.c. band, it may be used. Set the band-scan width control to zero, and the center-frequency control to midscale. Adjust C<sub>19</sub> so that the oscillator frequency is 705 kc.

Adjust the vertical, horizontal, intensity (brightness), and focus controls for a trace on the cathode-ray tube. Adjust the horizontal size to extend the trace the width of the screen.

Alignment of the adapter's i.f. is simplified by the presence of its own cathode-ray tube and sweep circuits. Advance the band-scan width control 10 degrees to 20 degrees, and tune in any constant-carrier signal on the receiver to which the adapter is connected. A response curve will be seen on the c.r.t. This response curve is the characteristic curve of the adapter's i.f. amplifier. It is necessary to adjust the i.f. trimmers so that the response curve is in the exact center of the trace and to adjust them for the sharpest (narrowest) curve. The sharpness of this curve is a measure of the resolution of the adapter. The sharper the curve the closer the received signals can be in frequency and still be distinguishable.

Alignment of the adapter's front end is as follows: With the receiver tuned to any portion of its range that includes many signals (most of the amateur bands), set the equalizing control to maximum resistance. Adjust the vertical-size control so

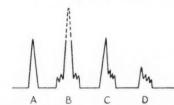
that signals are perceptible, and the band-scan width control near maximum.  $T_1$  is then adjusted for maximum signal strength of signals in the center of the trace. Only one section of  $T_1$  is used in the circuit. The other coil and trimmer have no effect and are disregarded.

Set the equalizer to zero resistance, and adjust one trimmer of  $T_2$  for maximum strength of signals at one end of the trace, and the other trimmer of  $T_2$  for maximum deflection of the signals at the other end of the trace. Rotating the equalizer will cause the point of maximum amplification to shift from the center to the ends of the swept band

The approximate frequencies of the tuned circuits are: 455 kc. for  $T_1$ , and 355 kc. and 555 kc. for the two circuits of  $T_2$ .

#### Interpretation of Signals

An unmodulated constant carrier appears as a deflection of fixed height, as shown in A of Fig. 5.



 $\label{eq:fig.5} Figs. 5 - Pips on the panoramic screen indicate signal characteristics. A — Constant carrier. B — Double-sideband a.m. C — S.s.b. with carrier. D — S.s.b., suppressed carrier.$ 

An amplitude-modulated carrier appears as a deflection of variable height. Voice or music modulation causes the height of the deflection to vary irregularly. At slightly reduced sweep width a constant tone modulation of low frequency will produce a raggedness along the sides of the pip. As the modulation frequency is increased, sidebands become distinguishable. When the modulation frequency is further increased, it is possible to separate the sideband pips from the carrier

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## A Broad-Band Bandswitching Converter/Preselector

Improved Performance and Extended Tuning Range for Surplus Receivers

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This article describes the construction and line-up procedure of a two-tube broad-band bandswitching converter/preselector of simple design that permits the reception of 21- and 28-Mc. signals on receivers whose highest frequency coverage is limited to about 18 Mc. It also serves as a preselector for the 14-Mc. amateur band. While designed primarily for use with the BC-348, it also has application for many other popular surplus military receivers, as well as commercial models whose performance on the 14-, 21-, and 28-Mc. bands leaves much to be desired from the standpoint of stability, sensitivity, signal-to-noise ratio, and image rejection.

The author uses a BC-348Q (purchased new in 1946) that has been modified to include an a.c. power supply, 8-meter, noise limiter and connections for a BC-453 "Q5-er." Basically, it is an excellent receiver both electrically and mechanically, and with the help of these modifications gives performance equal to or better than commercial receivers priced many times its original cost. It does not, however, cover the 21- or 28-Mc. amateur bands and, in spite of a recent alignment, lacks sufficient gain for optimum performance on the 14-Mc. band.

The converter/preselector is intended to eliminate the above limitations and was built with the following objectives in mind:

 Simple operation and construction. This requirement was met by a bandswitching design incorporating only two tubes and seven tuned circuits.

2) High signal-to-noise ratio and high gain. This unit uses a 6BH6 pentode r.f. stage and a 6U8 mixer-oscillator. Because of the high gain of these tubes, any need for an additional amplifier at i.f. frequencies is eliminated. In this fre Here is a good design for a converter that will extend the range of a warsurplus (or other) receiver to include the 21- and 28-Mc. bands, and also act as a preselector on 14 Mc. if your receiver is deficient there.

quency range, the signal-to-noise characteristics compare favorably with other special designs.

3) High stability. This was met by using a fairly high-C Colpitts oscillator with grounded cathode, with the plate voltage supplied from a regulated source. Coupling to the mixer section of the 6U8 is through tube and circuit capacity only, resulting in negligible oscillator "pulling."

 Ease of alignment with simple tools. The author aligned the unit using only the BC-348 receiver and a Hammarlund 100-ke. crystal frequency standard.

#### The Circuit

Reference to the circuit diagram, Fig. 1, shows that the oscillator is disabled with  $S_2$  in the 14-Me, position, to permit the unit to operate as a preselector on that band. The oscillator operates on 18 Mc. for both 21- and 28-Mc. reception. The plate load of the 6U8 mixer is a 10,000-ohm carbon resistor. As this resistor is not frequency selective, a little mathematics will show that the 28-Mc. band can be covered by tuning the receiver from 10 to 11.7 Mc. and the 21-Mc. band by tuning from 3 to 3.45 Mc. Thus the correct frequency at any dial setting is simply 18 Mc. plus the receiver dial reading. The 14-Me. band is covered by tuning from 14 to 14.350 Mc, since the unit operates as a straight amplifier on this frequency. The choice of 18

This broadband converter/preselector is intended for war-surplus receivers that only time as high as 18 Mc. The unit serves as a preselector on 14 Mc. and as a converter on 21 and 28 Mc. The power supply is included on the same chassis.



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This assumes that the receiver has better stability and signal-to-noise ratio on its lower frequencies, which is usually the case.

Mc. as the oscillator frequency is arbitrary. It was made because of the band divisions of the BC-348 (i.e., it is inconvenient to have to switch from Band 4 to Band 5 in the middle of the 28-Mc. range, for instance), and because it is reasonably simple to construct a stable self-controlled oscillator at this frequency. In addition, the oscillator can easily be aligned and checked for proper operation with the receiver.

The circuit is quite conventional and is a modification of a single-band mobile design that appeared in CQ magazine. The switch  $S_1$  switches the antenna to the converter/preselector and the output to the receiver, or permits the

line-up instructions. The gain reduction caused by the resistor is small.

It is important that the converter output be fed to the receiver through coaxial cable, to minimize QRM from signals at the i.f. frequencies. It is advisable to reduce this effect further by mounting a coaxial fitting on the receiver in place of the antenna terminals. In the converter, ground leads should be connected together on a stage-by-stage basis, with the stage grounds connected by one heavy lead, to avoid unwanted oscillations and poor rejection of direct i.f. signals, since different parts of the chassis may not be at the same a.c. ground potential. Since we

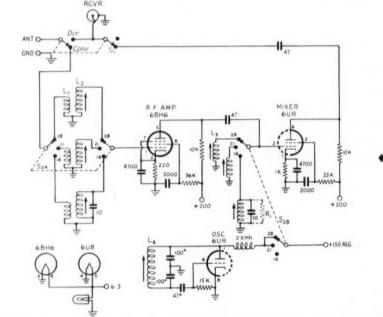


Fig. 1 — Circuit diagram of the broadband converter/presclector, Capacity values in  $\mu\mu$ f., and all are ceramic except (\*), which are silver mica. Resistors,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.

R: - See text.

L<sub>4</sub> = Wound over ground end of L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>3</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>3</sub> and L<sub>4</sub> wound on CTC LS5 (3<sub>8</sub>-inch diameter) slugtuned forms, L<sub>4</sub> wound with No. 20 push-back hook-up wire — other coils No. 24 enam.

antenna to be switched directly to the receiver for reception on the lower-frequency bands. The other switch,  $S_2$ , switches bands and disables the triode section of the 6U8 on 14 Mc. A switch with three positions could be used; however, the unused positions are handy to use as wiring tiepoints. In the author's model, a swamping resistor of 10,000 ohms ( $R_1$ ) was used across  $L_3$  on 14 Mc. to eliminate a tendency toward instability. The value of this resistor, if required, should be determined by experiment as indicated in the

S<sub>1</sub> = 2-pole 2-position rotary switch (Centralab 1473). S<sub>2</sub> = 4-pole 4-position 2-gang rotary (Mallory 1345 I with two center gangs removed).

used surplus forms not generally available, coil values for \( \frac{3}{2} \)-inch CTC forms are given in Fig. 1.

Power requirements are small enough so that, in many cases, the receiver supply can be used. However, the author's model used a separate regulated supply, as shown in Fig. 2, as the components happened to be on hand. Alternatively, a much simpler selenium-rectifier  $R^{C}$ -filter supply might be used.

#### Construction

Photographs of the unit show the physical layout. Since it was built with many "junk box"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Scherer, "The W2AEF Converterettes," CQ. May, 1953.

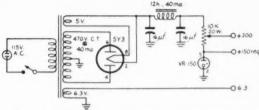


Fig. 2 — Diagram of a suggested power supply for the converter/ preselector.

parts previously used for a 28-Mc. converter, this is not intended to represent the best mechanical layout, particularly from an appearance standpoint.

The 6BH6 and 6U8 are mounted on a small  $3 \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ -inch subchassis that is wired as a separate unit. The switches, coils and powersupply components are mounted on a  $7 \times 7 \times$ 2-inch chassis, with a 7 × 7-inch panel. The 6U8 mixer coils are mounted horizontally on a 1 × 4-inch vertical strip of heavy-gauge aluminum at the rear of S2. They are at right angles to  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  which are mounted on the front panel. All coils and switch decks are placed to reduce wiring distances to a minimum. Silver-mica condensers are used in the oscillator circuit to minimize drift.

#### Adjustment

The line-up procedure is simple and straightforward. The first step is to make certain that the voltages applied to the unit are correct as shown on the circuit diagram and that the VR tube is operating within its proper current range. If a grid-dip oscillator is available, check all tuned circuits (with the unit turned off) to be sure that the coils will tune to the desired frequencies. If one is not available, as in the author's case, the unit can be aligned using only the BC-348 (with S-meter) and a 100-kc. frequency standard.

Check the frequency standard against WWV to see that it is correct, and then tune the receiver to the 14.1-Mc. harmonic of this oscillator. Switch the converter to the 14-Mc. position. Couple the 100-kc. oscillator as loosely as possible to the unit through a small condenser to obtain a reading on the receiver S-meter. Adjust the 14-Mc. L2 and L3 for maximum reading. If any tendency toward oscillation is noticed, connect

will be necessary to detune the receiver r.f. stage with the antenna trimmer condenser or otherwise reduce the converter/preselector output to prevent overloading the receiver. Next switch the unit to 21 Mc. Tune the receiver to exactly 18 Mc. using the 100-kc. fre-

quency standard as a guide. Then tune the converter oscillator by adjusting  $L_4$  until it can be heard at this frequency. If the oscillator will not tune to this frequency, change the turns on L4 until it will. If the oscillator is operating correctly, the note should be pure d.c. with no spurious signals at other frequencies. Next, tune the receiver to 3.2 Mc. to pick up the 21.2-Mc. harmonic of the 100-kc. oscillator. As before, couple the unit to the 100-kc. oscillator as loosely as possible with a small condenser to obtain a reading on the receiver S-meter. Tune the receiver a little higher than 3.2 Mc. and adjust the oscillator slug (L4) a fraction of a turn until a signal is heard. This will be the desired 21.2-Mc. signal, and this procedure is necessary to insure that the receiver is not picking up the 3.2-Mc. harmonic of the 100-ke, oscillator directly. Next, adjust  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  for maximum signal. Check the 100-kc. markers over the entire band to see that the response is reasonably flat.

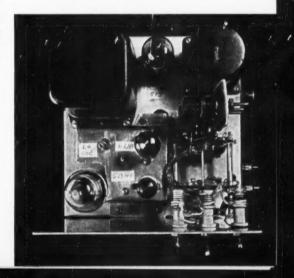
a swamping resistor of about 10.000 ohms across  $L_3$ . Use the largest value possible consistent with stable operation. Next check the amplitude of each 100-kc, marker across the 14-Mc. band. The response can be flattened, if necessary, by stagger-tuning  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  or decreasing the value of the swamping resistor. In many cases it

The alignment of the 28-Mc, band is similar to the above except that the receiver is tuned to 10.6 Mc. for a 28.6-Mc. signal. If difficulty is experienced in obtaining a definite although broad peak when tuning  $L_2$  or  $L_3$ , one or both must be rewound. Unless they are far from the correct value, the S-meter can be used to determine if turns should be added or subtracted. If in doubt when constructing the unit, it is better to err on

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<sup>3</sup> The difference in amplitude of these successive highorder harmonics is negligible.

> A top view of the preselector/ converter. The oscillator tuning adjustment can be seen to the left of the 6U8 mixer-oscillator.



### The Tin Can Low-Pass

An Inexpensive Filter for the Novice

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 The accepted correction for TVI troubles where the transmitter is at fault is to "bottle up" the transmitter in a shield and couple out through a low-pass filter. In this article, WHCP shows how simple and inexpensive it is to build a low-pass filter that will handle the output of a 75or 100-watt transmitter from 80 through 15 meters.

In traveling around the country, giving talks on TVI, the writer was rather surprised to find that many amateurs, particularly newcomers, shied away from building their own low-pass filters because they felt the task was beyond their technical ability. Actually, a low-pass filter is one of the easiest construction jobs that an amateur is likely to encounter. In addition, one can usually save considerably on the green stuff by building his own. The unit described in this article was built at a cost of less than fifty cents.

Before getting into a description of the actual construction of the filter, a few words are in order to explain what a low-pass filter is and what it will do. As we know from studying the questions in the *License Manual* for the Novice and General Class examinations, we don't want to radiate any spurious signals from our transmitters. When these spurious signals are harmonics or parasitic oscillations that fall in the television channels they can cause TVI plus the consequent headaches involved with maintaining good neighbor rela-



tions. Our problem is then one of keeping these harmonics from radiating. This is where a lowpass filter does yeoman duty.

A low-pass filter is a coil-condenser combination that, when properly installed on a transmitter, will pass all signals lower than its designed "cut-off frequency" while attenuating all other signals. In other words, let's assume we have a transmitter operating in the 80-, 40-, and 15meter Novice bands. We want the signal from the band being used to go from the transmitter to the

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antenna and be radiated. However, we don't want harmonics or spurious signals higher than 21 Mc. to reach the antenna or the feedline. The answer is to install a low-pass filter at the transmitter output that will pass the 80-, 40-, and 15-meter signals while attenuating all higher frequencies. The filter shown in the photograph and at Fig. 1 is just such a device.

#### Construction

The box shown in the photograph was made from metal taken from two No. 2 tomato cans. This metal is an excellent material for making a small radio chassis or shield can. It is easy to

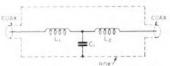


Fig. 1 — Circuit diagram of the low-pass filter C<sub>1</sub> = 220-μμf, mica, ≠ 5 per cent tolerance. L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub> — See text.

bend and form small boxes from the metal found in "tin can" food containers. This metal is thin, and holes (for mounting tie points, etc.) can be punched out with a nail or ice pick. Also, the tin coating on the metal takes solder very easily. For construction, all one needs is a pair of tin snips, a soldering iron, and a supply of tin cans.

The dimensions of the box for the filter are  $1\frac{34}{4} \times 1\frac{34}{4} \times 4$  inches. Four pieces of metal are needed; one piece for the bottom and sides, 514  $\times$  4 inches; two end pieces,  $2\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  inches; and the top,  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. The  $5\frac{1}{4}$ -inch length of the large piece is scribed off into three 134-inch sections. If a vise is available the piece of metal is clamped between two pieces of wood and then bent to form one side of the box. A metal straightedge or another piece of wood can be used to bend the tin to form a right angle. The piece is then clamped so that the remaining side can be bent. If a vise isn't available, a satisfactory job can be obtained by holding the piece of tin firmly between two boards and then pressing the metal against a flat surface until a right angle is formed.

The ends of the box are made up with a ¼-inch lip so that there will be plenty of soldering surface available when the ends are attached to the box. The top is made with a ¼-inch lip for the same reason. When soldering the ends to the box, be sure the iron is hot enough to insure good connections.

A 1/4-inch hole is drilled or punched in the center of each end of the box to accommodate

View of the filter showing how the coils are mounted on the tie points. The condenser, C<sub>1</sub>, is visible behind the center tie point.

the coax leads to and from the filter. To avoid bending the box out of shape, a small block of wood should be held against the other side of the piece being drilled. Three tie points are needed to hold the coils and the condenser in place. The tie points used in the installation shown here are the single-terminal bakelite strip type selling for about three cents each. Three holes are needed on one side of the box to accommodate the 6-32 screws for holding the tie points.1 The placement of the holes will depend on the type of tie point used, but in any case, they should be placed so that the coils,  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , will be spaced about one inch apart and centered in the box. Remember to hold a piece of wood under the side of the box being drilled to avoid bending the metal.

The coils are made of No. 16 enamel-covered wire. Each coil is 7 turns, ½-inch inside diameter and ½ inch long. Any solid ½-inch diameter object, such as a drill bit shank, wooden dowel rod, etc., can be used as a winding form. Be sure

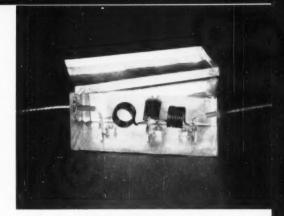


to leave an inch or so lead length at the coil ends for mounting on the tie points.

#### Wiring

As can be seen in the photograph, the coils are mounted at right angles to each other to avoid undesired coupling. Before mounting the coils on the tie points, be sure to scrape the enamel from the wire where it is to be soldered. (Many beginners find themselves in trouble here because they don't know that paint or enamel covering should be removed from wire before one can solder to it!)

<sup>1</sup> Or the tie points can be fastened to the metal by soldering. — Ep.



One lead of the condenser,  $C_1$ , is soldered to the bottom of the box directly below the center tie point. The other condenser lead is connected to the center tie point along with two coil leads. Keep the condenser leads short; about  $^{-1}4$  inch will suffice.

The two end tie points serve as a junction point for the coil ends and the coaxial cable inner conductors. Many amateurs use coaxial cable, commonly referred to as "coax," for connecting the filter to the transmitter and the antenna or antenna coupler. There are four types of coax commonly used by amateurs; RG-8 U, RG-11/U. RG-58 U, and RG-59 U. Any of these types will work with the filter. The coax used in the filter shown is RG-59 U because it is cheaper and easy to handle. However, the filter is not designed to work with 300-ohm Twin-Lead, or for that matter, any balanced line. This doesn't mean that you can't use Twin-Lead to feed your antenna and still use a low-pass filter. When we discuss the filter installation we'll show you how to use Twin-Lead if you wish.

To connect the coax to the ends of the coils, the following procedure is followed: About two inches of the vinyl covering is removed from one end of the coax, then the outer conductor braid is trimmed back to a point about ½ inch from the vinyl covering. Enough of the covering around the inner conductor is removed to permit a connection to the tie point. The end of the cable is then fed through the hole in the end of the filter box up to the point, where the vinyl covering begins. The ½ inch of outer conductor braid is then spread out around the hole and soldered in place. Do this carefully, as too much heat will melt the covering of the inner conductor, causing a shorted cable.

The same procedure is followed at the other end of the filter. Coax fittings can be installed on either end of the filter, but they, of course, add to the cost of the unit.

#### Installation

For a filter to work properly, the radio signal should flow through the circuit, not around it. In other words, if we want the filter to attenuate harmonics, we must keep the harmonics inside the coax and inside the filter box. This means the filter must be attached to the transmitter properly. This is shown at Fig. 2. At (A), the wrong way to install the filter, the coax is connected to the link on the final amplifier of the transmitter with no shielding being used on the rig. The harmonics, indicated by arrows, radiate from the transmitter and flow on the outside of the coax line and over and around the filter to the antenna. In this case, the filter doesn't help the situation in the slightest. However, at (B) the harmonics are confined inside the transmitter

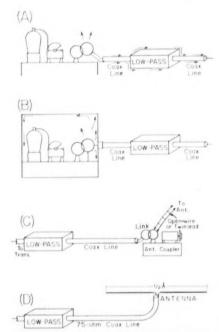


Fig. 2—At (A) we see the wrong way to connect a filter and coaxial line to a transmitter. The harmonics flow over the outside of the cable, over the filter, to the antenna, and can be radiated. At (B) the harmonic energy is confined inside the transmitter and can only flow through the cable and inside the filter.

At (C) and (D) we see two methods of connecting the low-pass filter to the antenna system.

and they must flow through the coax to the filter. In this way they are attenuated and never get a chance to reach the antenna. You will notice that, in this case, the coax is connected to the back panel of the transmitter, making a good tight connection. This is usually done by installing a male coax connector, 83-18P, on the coax cable coming from the filter, and a female connector, 83-1R, on the transmitter. When mounting the socket on the transmitter, be sure to clean any paint from around the mounting point. Incidentally, the filter can be inserted in the coax line in either direction; in other words, the input and output characteristics of a filter are the same.

#### Coupling to the Antenna

In the average station the coax lines between the transmitter and filter and between the filter and antenna coupler (if one is used as described below) probably will be quite short. It is preferable to use the minimum possible length between the transmitter and filter; the other length is not so important because there will be very little harmonic energy in the line on the "output" side of the filter. If the length to the antenna coupler is not more than a few feet the coupler can be tuned in just the same way as before installing the filter, although the settings may differ. Longer lines may require "matching," a subject that is beyond the scope of this article but which is covered in the Handbourk

There are two generally used methods for connecting a filter to the antenna system. The first is to connect the output of the low-pass to an antenna coupler as shown at Fig. 2C. In this case, the coax is connected to the link on the antenna coupler, and the coupler is used to couple the antenna to the link. This system has the advantage of offering additional harmonic attenuation because of the additional circuit tuned to the output frequency. Also, the feedline to the antenna can be 300-ohm Twin-Lead, open-wire line, or for that matter, practically any type of transmission line.

At Fig. 2D, we find the low-pass filter connected directly to a half-wave antenna via a 75-ohm coax line. A half-wave antenna offers a pretty good match for 75-ohm line, and this system will work well for those amateurs using such an antenna.

If greater harmonic attenuation is needed, it is suggested the reader study the BCI-TVI chapter of *The Radio Amateur's Handbook*. Several filters are described there that will furnish considerably more attenuation than the "Tin Can." However, for most Novice installations, the filter described here will be more than adequate.

### Strays 3

Research by W1YYM concerning the "17,000 db." Stray on p. 15, August QST, reveals the figure to be a power gain of  $10^{1700}$  — the numeral 10 followed by 1700 zeroes, a number which would be approximately seventeen QST pages wide.

W4s SMU TZT MPA and KZF are experimenting with facsimile down Kentucky way. Their first successful on-the-air test took place in June using type RC-58-B gear for local QSOs on the 11-meter band. W4SMU would like to hear from other facsimile enthuslasts with a view toward trying skip schedules when propagation conditions are favorable.

## A Low-Cost Gallon

#### Making the Most Out of Very Little

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 Although the unit discussed here will probably not be widely duplicated, this story by WICTE will serve to point up the idea that an alert ham often can find exceptional bargains in unsuspected places.

HORTY BUCKS for a kilowatt final? "Nuts to that!" you say. And well you may. However, here's the story of one, largely built from obsolete and surplus materials. If you're willing to snoop around a bit here and there, it's quite likely that you, too, can come up with an equal bargain.

About two years ago, most diathermy machines in use were made obsolete by FCC rulings. The writer was able to buy a lot of eight of these for \$80, including over a bushel of cables, pads, cauteries and the like. These were by seven different manufacturers, and were completely different in all respects, including the tubes. Some used raw a.c. on the plates, while others had

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A 1-kw. push-pull amplifier made from an obsolete diathermy machine that was picked up for ten dollars.

rectified, but unfiltered, d.c. (One even had gridcontrolled rectifiers.) All were sturdy and well made, and were electrically OK. Nearly all have gone into ham use, chiefly as power supplies.

The largest one of the lot fired the writer's imagination. Its nameplate read, "Ultra Short-Wave Generator Wavelength 6 Meters 50,000,000 Cycles!" Impressive in appearance, it was 22 inches wide, 16 inches deep, and stood on

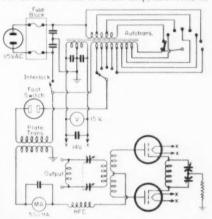


Fig. 1 — Typical high-power diathermy circuit. Some types include rectifiers.

casters, with the top of its walnut case 45½ inches from the floor. It weighed about 250 lbs.

Inside were two big bottles — WL-460s (not listed in the ARRL Handbook) — two heavy transformers, and an odd assortment of other components. When the thing was plugged in and turned on, it put out very hot 50-Mc. r.f. (horrible-sounding in the receiver).

First, Westinghouse was queried for dope on the WL-460, and they very kindly sent z leaflet although the tube is no longer made. It showed: Maximum d.c. plate volts, 3000; maximum plate ma., 200; plate dissipation, 150 watts; maximum frequency, higher than needed. The project looked brighter; maybe can do!

#### Power Supply

A closer examination of the power supply and the schematic (see Fig. 1) found in the instruction book really did it. One of the transformers turned out to be a combination filament transformer for the big tubes, and an autotransformer with two tap switches for adjusting both line voltage and primary voltage to the plate transformer. The latter was of about 1 kva. rating, and its

r.m.s. output voltage could be varied from 900 to 2500 volts by means of the autotransformer.

Since the plate transformer had no center tap, a bridge rectifier using four 866As was required. These and their filament transformers were included in a filter unit placed in space available in the bottom of the cabinet. Well-insulated leads were brought down to this unit from the main deck above.

A small bias supply, powered from the 10-volt winding on the autotransformer, and a tapped series booster transformer to increase the a.c. output of the plate transformer by 200 to 850 volts were also placed in the bottom of the cabinet.

The primary of the plate transformer in this diathermy rig could be turned on and off by a foot-operated switch that plugged in at the rear of the cabinet, as well as a panel switch. This same plug and cord now go to a relay controlled by the send-receive switch. There's also a mechanical interlock preventing application of plate power until the filament switch is on full.

#### R.F. Circuit

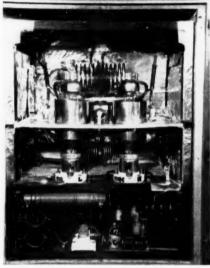
The original r.f. circuitry was the utmost in simplicity — merely one coil of very few turns of copper tubing between the plate caps, and another coil of smaller tubing between the grid caps. There was also a very small variable of special design. Alas, no use has yet been made of these coils! However, the very simplicity sugested the major strategy behind the conversion. A horizontal partition, with clearance holes for the tubes, was made to fit the cabinet, and placed at a level about halfway between the grid and plate caps of the tubes. The grid and plate tank circuits were then mounted on this partition,

Bias circuit is essentially a combination of Figs. 7-17B,

<sup>2</sup> R.f. circuit is essentially the same as Fig. 6-25C in 1953

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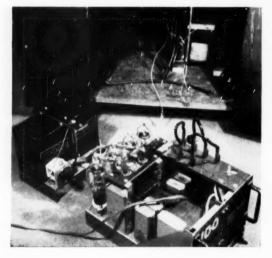
Rear view of the amplifier. The shielding partition between grid and plate tank circuits is a sheet of plywood covered with aluminum foil. Neutralizing condensers are pieces of coax cable.

plate circuit above, and grid circuit below. Just to see how this arrangement might work out, a partition was made of plywood wrapped in aluminum foil purloined from the XYL's department—and it's still there!

About this time, W1FTH consulted with us, thought it was nuts, and said so. But, anyway, he was good enough to sketch a feasible circuit diagram.<sup>2</sup> Little by little, components were dug up and fitted in. B & W coils — BVL for the grid and HDL (or HDCL) for the plate — and a couple of producerint sulit stater, condenses

couple of nondescript split-stator condensers from the junk box made up the tank circuits. Since there wasn't enough room to run the condensers fore-andaft, they were placed with their control knobs at the side of the cabinet. Short pieces of carefully-trimmed coax cable are used as neutralizing condensers, and are plugged into jack-top feed-through insulators mounted near the tubes.

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A bridge rectifier and filter was added to the original power equipment. Space is available in the bottom of the cabinet.

## A Civil Defense Control-Station Transmitter

Part II - R.F. Section and Filters

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August QST the special problems encountered in c.d. communication were discussed, and a solution in the form of a transmitter designed especially for this work was outlined. The power supplies and speech equipment were described in detail. In this portion, the construction and adjustment of the r.f. section are covered, and the interference-prevention measures included in the station are described.

Reviewing briefly, the r.f. portion of the transmitter consists of separate units for each of three bands, 50, 28 and 144 Mc., with provision for selection of any of four net frequencies without retuning adjustments of any kind. The r.f. assemblies are mounted side by side on a large chassis that contains all the cabling, metering and switching circuits. The entire r.f. assembly is housed in a case of perforated aluminum and provided with power cable filtering to prevent TVI and other forms of interference that might result from spurious radiations. The 50-Mc. r.f. section, described herewith, is shown in the rearview photograph, mounted in place on the main chassis. For details of the external shielding, see the second photograph appearing in the first installment. The complete r.f. schematic diagram is shown in Fig. 3.

#### R.F. Circuitry and Design Features

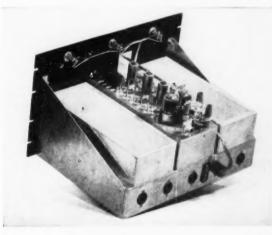
Four pretuned c.d. frequencies in the 50-Mc. band are selected by means of the channel switch. This changes crystals and selects the

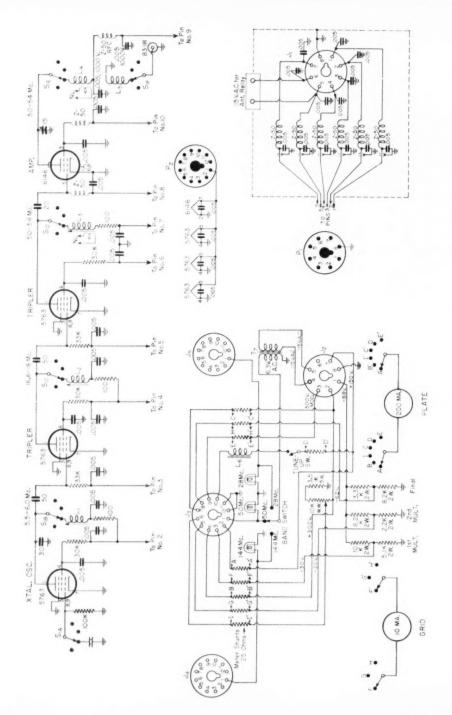
\*Radio Officer, Connecticut C.D. Area I; % Laboratory of Advanced Research, Remington Rand, Inc., South Norwalk, Conn, proper pretuned coil in the plate circuit of each stage. To keep spare tubes needed at a minimum, the same type of tube (5763) was used in each of the low-powered stages. The oscillator uses crystals between 5.5 and 6 Mc., in a modified Pierce circuit. Two tripler stages follow, the second driving a 6146 amplifier on 50 Mc., with grid current to spare. A potentiometer in the screen circuit of the second tripler provides drive control. It is adjusted to about 3 ma. grid current in the 6146 stage.

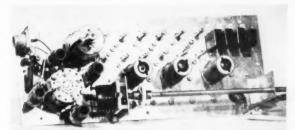
The crystal-oscillator circuit shown was chosen for its case of adjustment and reliability, and because crystals in this frequency range are inexpensive and readily ground to a specific net frequency. Entirely satisfactory operation of the transmitter could have been achieved with fewer tubes, obviously, but the arrangement shown makes possible duplication of the tube line-up in the 2-meter r.f. section. Stage functions may be altered, but the metering circuits remain the same.

All coils are slug-tuned except those in the final amplifier, where they are adjusted by varying the turn spacing to resonate at the desired frequency with the plate tuning capacitor set at half scale. Each coil in the first tripler plate circuit has a 5- $\mu$ g. ceramic capacitor across it, to lower its out-of-circuit resonant frequency. On the first tune-up it was found by accident that the drive to the final stage was affected by adjustments to the slugs in any of the three unused coils in this circuit. A grid-dipper showed that they were self-resonant at about 50 Mc., and were absorbing

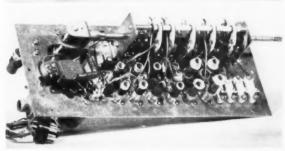
Rear view of the controlstation transmitter, showing the 50-Me. r.f. section in place. In its final form this unit is completely encased in perforated aluminum shielding.







Top and bottom views of the 50-Me, r.f. section,



power from the second tripler plate coils. Adding the 5- $\mu\mu$ f, capacitors detuned them enough so that no further trouble resulted. Winding specifications for all coils are given in the coil table.

The switch for changing channels is made up of a five-wafer (one not used) and a two-wafer four-position ceramic switch coupled together with a right-angle drive. The two-wafer portion is mounted vertically alongside the 6146 and driven by a right-angle drive on the underside of the r.f. assembly. The method of connecting the two is shown in the bottom view. The shaft of the right-angle drive unit is notched to fit the shaft of the main switch.

The chassis is actually a 5 × 13 ×  $J_{16}$ -inch sheet of aluminum, to which all parts are mounted, as seen in the top- and bottom-view photographs. This plate then attaches like a bottom pan to a standard 5 × 13 × 3-inch aluminum chassis which is mounted upside down on the main 13 × 17 × 3-inch chassis. This type of construction gives better shielding and makes for much easier assembling and

wiring than building directly on a chassis in the conventional way.

The wiring of the main chassis is also shown in Fig. 3. The three 12-pin sockets to feed the r.f. units are mounted on the rear edge along with the 8-pin socket for the power-supply cable. Only the wiring for the 50-Mc. socket is shown in the diagram, to conserve space and preserve the readability of the diagram. The sockets for the other two units are merely wired in parallel with the one shown, except for the heater circuit switching.

The assembly is fitted with a standard  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 19$ -inch rack panel, on which are mounted the two meters, the meter switches, the band-change switch, pilot lights and drive control. The modu-

Fig. 3 — Schematic diagram of the complete r.f. section of the c.d. control station. Upper portion shows the 50-Mc, r.f. unit. At the lower left are the switching, metering and cabling portions contained in the main chassis, and at the right is the TVI filter that is mounted on the rear wall of the case. Note that only one of the crystals and coils is shown.

L<sub>6</sub> — 12 hy., 40 ma. (Chicago R-1240). J<sub>1</sub>, J<sub>2</sub> — 8-pin female chassis fitting. J<sub>3</sub>, J<sub>4</sub>, J<sub>5</sub> — 12-pin female chassis fitting.

P<sub>1</sub> — 8-pin male cable fitting.

P<sub>2</sub> — 12-pin male cable fitting. T<sub>7</sub> — 6.3 v., 6 amp. (Chicago FO66).

Resistors are 1 watt unless otherwise noted. All 0.005 capacitors are disk ceramics, except final plate by pass is mica. Use 0.001 for more highs.

S<sub>[AnBiCiD</sub> — 4-position 5-wafer (I not used) switch.

S<sub>[En]E</sub> — 4-position 2-wafer switch, ganged to above through National right-angle drive.

Coil-Winding Table						
Coils, 4 each	No. Turns	Wire Size	Dia.	Length	Conl Form	Type Slug
$L_1$	55 close- wound	28 en.	14"	34"	National XR-91 134 × 38	iron
$L_2$	21 close- wound	20 en.	8 8"	34"	National XR-91 114 × 35	iron
$L_3$	7 turns spaced	18 en.	36"	šie"	$\begin{array}{c} {\rm National} \\ {\rm XR-90} \\ {\rm D_4} \times {\rm S_8} \end{array}$	brase
$L_4$	5 spaced	1 k	914"	39 to 98"	self- support- ing	hone
La	3 close- wound at cold end	insulated hook-up wire	*in**	34"	½" dia. bakelite tube 2" long	none

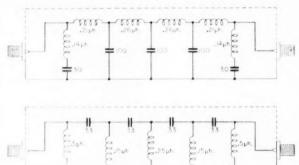
lation choke for the screen of the final, the meter shunts and the filament transformer are mounted under the chassis.

Methods employed in shielding and filtering are shown in the photographs and block diagram in Part I. The r.f. unit is completely enclosed by the perforated aluminum shielding, with wide lap-overs to prevent r.f. leaks. The cable from the main r.f. chassis is made with shielded wire, and brought to a filter compartment on the inside of the rear wall of the case. where each lead is filtered and decoupled at the socket where the cable from the power-supply unit plugs in. The functions of the high- and low-pass filters in the antenna circuits were outlined in Part I. It may or may not be necessary to filter and shield to this extent in other localities so far as TVI goes; however, if there are sev-

eral transmitters to be used close together, it will help to prevent interference between the various bands, and so is highly worth while from a c.d. point of view. (Field Day planners take

## Constructing the 50-Mc. R.F. Unit

Laying out the r.f. subchassis requires some thought so that all parts can be located for short leads and good by-passing. It is suggested that the layout shown in the photographs be followed fairly closely. All the parts mounted on the  $5 \times 13$ -inch plate must be kept a half inch in from the edge, to clear the lip on the inverted chassis when the plate is mounted. It may be necessary to file some clearance notches in the



Schematic diagram and parts information for low-pass (upper) and high-pass filters for the 50-Mc. station. For application, see Fig. 1, Part

All coils in low-pass filter are No. 14 wire, 34-inch diameter.

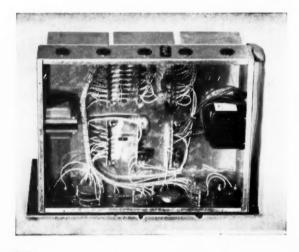
4 turns, 3% inch long. 0.26 µh. - 7 turns, 13/18 inch long. 0.14 µh. -0.21 ah. - 6 turns, % is inch long.

Coils in the high-pass filter are wound with No. 20 enamel wire on 2-watt resistors, 0.1 megohm or higher, and measured on Q-meter.

Capacitors in both units are silver mica measured for nearest to required capacitance on O-meter.

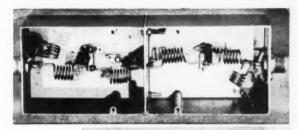
> lips to get the plate into position easily. A clearance hole for the channel switch must be drilled in the end of the chassis and holes must be located and drilled in the front panel for this switch and for the final plate trimmer condenser shaft. The  $5 \times 13 \times 3$ -inch chassis is bolted in place permanently on the main r.f. chassis.

The four coils in each stage are identical, so after one is checked out with a grid-dip meter the other three can be made the same and mounted in position. The tuning range afforded by the slugs in the exciter coils and the spreading or squeezing of the final stage coils is more than adequate to take care of minor differences. The 12-wire cable from the r.f. subchassis is made long enough so that it can be plugged into the



Bottom view of the main r.f. chassis. Meters, switch-ing circuits, meter shunts, filament transformer and modulation choke are mounted below the deck. The three r.f. chassis are fastened to the top surface.

Low-pass and high-pass filters designed especially for the 50-Mc, station.



main chassis with the r.f. unit resting on the bench alongside for testing.

Coils for the final plate circuit are wound of No. 14 wire, and are self-supporting. They are mounted between tie-points and the top wafer of the channel switch. Short lengths of bakelite tubing are then slipped into each coil, and the antenna coupling coils are wound on these.

## Tune-up Procedure

The r.f. subchassis is made ready for adjustment by placing it on its side on the bench and plugging its cable into the main chassis. The tune-up switch in the screen lead to the final stage should be in the off position. With the plate meter switched to read the oscillator plate current and the grid meter connected to the first tripler grid circuit, insert four net crystals, set the channel switch to Position 1, and turn on the send-receive switch. Tune the crystal plate coil No. 1 for minimum plate current and maximum grid current. Next, advance the meter switches one position and peak the No. 1 coil in the first tripler plate circuit. Repeat this process until the final is reached.

Now connect a 50-watt lamp to the output jack, close the tune-up switch, applying screen voltage to the final stage, and adjust the final tuning condenser for minimum plate current.

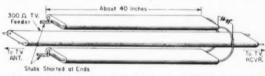
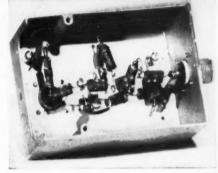


Fig. 5 — Tuned double stub for eliminating 50-Mc, interference in TV or other receivers. Stub is tuned carefully to transmitter frequency by watching for minimum interference. Capacitor can be any small trimmer, but split-stator type (15  $\mu$ af, per section) provides cold shaft for elimination of hand capacitance and makes for easier tuning.

Squeeze or spread the turns on the final plate coil until the dip comes at half scale on the plate condenser. Be sure the transmitter is turned completely off before making this adjustment, as death is very permanent! Set the drive control for 3 to 4 ma. final grid current. The loaded plate current of the amplifier should be between 100 and 150 ma.

This procedure is repeated for each of the other three channels. If the final coils have been adjusted correctly it will then be possible to switch to any position without retuning of any sort. The



function of the final plate tuning adjustment should be merely to tell if the stage is really tuned to resonance and operating correctly. If the crystal fails or a tube burns out, all following stages are protected by fixed bias, so their plate currents fall to zero.

In normal operation the two meters on the main r.f. unit are left in the final plate and final grid positions. These and the modulator plate meter enable the Radio Officer to tell at a glance how the transmitter is operating. The final plate current shows a slight downward flicker with modulation, because of the common power sup-

ply for both modulator and final. This is a normal condition.

## Neutralization

The final grid current varies somewhat with tuning of the final plate circuit, indicating a need for some slight neutralization. No simple means could be found that would hold for all four channels, with the type of bandswitch used. No adverse effects were found from this honeyer.

condition, however. The final operates stably, and there is no tendency toward parasities.

Neutralization was tried using a one-turn link around the bottom of the second-tripler plate coil and the final plate coil, as shown in the schematic. When these two links were polarized correctly the coupling could be adjusted for perfect neutralization. This made the final grid current completely stable, but was too complicated to install on all four channels. Since it did not improve the operation of the final stage it was omitted.

## Interference Prevention

Operated without its perforated-aluminum shielding, this transmitter takes out every channel on a TV set operated in the same room. Harmonies of the crystal oscillator appear every 5½ to 6 Me., or one to each TV channel. This could be prevented by using a higher starting frequency, but when the shields are in place interference shows only in Channels 2 and 11.

The special 50-Mc. low-pass filter, Fig. 4 and photograph, removes the fourth harmonic interference from Channel 11 and also a third harmonic from near the 2-meter band. Where the TV signal is strong, a double stub, Fig. 5, applied to the TV lead, will remove the adjacent-channel interference in Channel 2. It should be noted (Fig. 1, Part I) that the lowpass filter is connected between the antenna and the antenna change-over relay, thus being in the circuit for both transmission and reception. The high-pass filter is connected between the relay and the receiver. In this way the 50-Me, receiver is protected from fundamental overloading by other transmitters in the room, and radiation of energy on frequencies higher than the 50-Me, band by the 6-meter rig is blocked, giving added protection to the 2-meter receiver and TV Channel 11. This plan is carried out on other transmitters and receivers in the room, and is largely responsible for our being able to operate so many rigs so close together.

TVI from the 50-Mc, energy can be corrected in some instances by connecting an open-ended quarter-wave stub of 300-ohm Twin-Lead cut for the transmitter frequency across the input to the TV set. The double stub of Fig. 5 is more effective in difficult cases like the adjacent-channel problem in Channel 2. It consists of two shorted quarter-wave stubs connected in parallel and tuned with a small variable condenser. The stub is installed sandwich fashion, with the TV feed line as the filling and the two stubs as the bread. The sandwich is taped loosely to the feeder and

Voltage and Current Table						
	Osc.	$T_{plr}$	2nd Tptr.	Final	Mod.	
Fil. on. Plate off Grid Volts	ti.	-30	- 20	-62	- 29	
S/R Switch in Transmit Position						
Grid Volts*	-8	-101	-144	-73	-29	
Grid ma. Plate Valts*	+140	$\frac{2}{+275}$	$\frac{3.5}{+275}$	4 +500	+500	
Plate ma.	12	25	22	100	70-150	
Screen Volts* Screen ma.	+75	+180	+ 160	+140 15	+270	

	tst Sp. Amp.	2nd Sp, Amp.	Phase Inv. 3rd Sp. Amp.	P.P. 12AU7
Voltage * at:				
Plate Screen	+45	+75	$\pm 240$	+270
Cathode	+1 25	+3.5	+17	+12

\* Measured at socket with vacuum-tube voltmeter,

slid along the line for maximum attenuation, while tuning the trimmer. When the best spot is found the stub is taped securely in place. The trimmer can be any small variable capacitor, but greatest ease of adjustment is achieved if a split-stator variable is used.

In conclusion, let me say that although we could have gotten by with one tube in the power supply, two in the modulator and two in the r.f. unit, and still run 50 to 60 watts input, the present transmitter more than justifies the extra expense and effort. It is a pleasure to operate a rig on 50 Mc. with more than enough grid drive, plenty of good-quality audio, and a full 40-watt output, to say nothing of being able to switch to any one of four channels at will.



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. . . The month's editorials treat on ARRL Division election procedures, and e.w. enthusiasts who purposely apply tone modulations to broaden their signals.

. . . L. G. Windom, WSGZ-WSZG, discusses the interesting off-center single-wire-fed Hertz antenna in his "Notes on Ethereal Adornments."

. . . "An Effective Low-Cost 'Phone and C.W. Transmitter of Modern Design" is the work of Technical Editor James J. Lamb and Asst. Technical Editor Beverly Dudley.

... "Vacuum Tube Amplifier Definitions," a subject long shrouded in misconception, are illuminated by H. F. Dart and C. K. Atwater.

j. . . L. W. Hatry details purposeful modifications for the receiver described in March QST in his effort toward "Improving the All-Purpose Superheterodyne."

. . . In the "Experimenters' Section" we find discussions on "doublet" antennas, self-rectified t.p.t.g. sets, screen-grid tube biasing and other topical subjects.

. . . Killian V. R. Lansingh, W6QX, outlines the proper procedures and equipments necessary for fully "Utilizing the Standard Frequency Transmissions."

. . . "W9CJC." the fifth of the series depicting up-todate amateur stations, is an interesting installation owned and operated by E. H. Carter in Denver, Colorado.

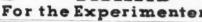
. . . "XYL," by Eulalia M. Thomas, W8CNO, records the aspirations, frustrations and accomplishments of one who urges an increase in the number of XYL operators.

. . . "IARU News," in addition to its many reports from overseas societies, observes that W6s have more WACs than any other call area — 49 of the 272 issued to date.

. . . . Among Communications Department features are propagation forecasts, W1MK's schedules, and announcement of the staff addition of E. L. Battey, W1UE.



# Hints and Kinks





## MORE ABOUT SOLDERING ALUMINUM

As mentioned in W9SED's article (page 42, June, 1954, QST), it is perfectly possible to solder aluminum. However, aluminum soldering is generally not advisable, particularly on parts exposed to weather, as corrosion will soon set in and the joint will be destroyed. Proof of this can readily be seen by placing an aluminum soldered joint in ordinary tap water for a few days. Corrosion will become quite apparent and in many cases the joint will fall apart. If aluminum cannot be jointed by other satisfactory methods—such as riveting or welding—and soldering must be resorted to, then the joint should be completely covered with a protective paint or lacquer.—R. W. Woodward, WIVW

## NOTES ON SELECTIVITY CONTROL FOR THE COLLINS 75A-3

Have just finished reading W3AM's article in January QST and note that he refers to the inability of 75A-3 owners to get broader bandwidth from their receivers. This is true, of course, but a simple modification can give the operator of the 75A-3 additional bandwidth at a twist of the wrist.

The first step in the modification consists of the removal of about half of the turns from each winding of a standard 455-kc. i.f. transformer. The transformer is then equipped with a plug so that it may be connected to the extra mechanical filter socket of the receiver. After the transformer has been aligned with the aid of the crystal filter, it is possible to make a bandwidth selection by throwing the mechanical filter switch to the proper position.

I hope that this will make some of the gang realize that for the price of one cheap i.f. transformer and about an hour's labor, they can get the equivalent of two receivers.

Robert E. J. West, WIMKW

A LITTLE over a year ago, one of the Collins mechanical filter conversion kits was successfully installed in the 75A-2 here at WSLLX. After months of operation with razor-sharp selectivity, it was decided to make provision for reducing selectivity at will. Fig. 1 shows a simple and inexpensive circuit that makes this operation possible.

The mechanical filter section of the 75A-3 is provided with an extra position marked "B" which is normally used for the installation of a l-kc, mechanical filter. This section—"B" has been used to accommodate the new filter. Of course, the normal mechanical filter switch

for the receiver permits selection of coupling circuits

As can be seen from Fig. 1, the new filter consists of a pair of 5000-ohm resistors, two 2.5-mh. r.f. chokes and an air trimmer of about 5- to 50-µµf. range. The components are mounted on a

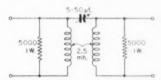


Fig. 1 — Circuit diagram of the i.f. filter suggested by W&LLX, Components are actually mounted on a plugin base so that the assembly can be plugged into the filter position of a Collins 75.4.3 receiver.

strip of bakelite measuring 134 by 334 inches which is in turn fastened to a 6-prong plug that mates with the filter socket of the receiver. The arrangement of the plug prongs was the most difficult part of the job and once this was completed the wiring time was practically nil. The cost of the filter components was \$2.69.

The filter is aligned by adjusting the air trimmer while observing the peak reading on the S-meter. One adjustment is all that is necessary.

Melvin C. Aichholz, WSLLX

## REMOVING PILOT LAMPS

An ordinary wedge-type pencil eraser, obtainable from most any 5- and 10-cent store, makes an ideal tool for removing pilot lamps which are located in hard-to-get-at places. Use the wedge end of the eraser as the handle, slip the open end (the end which normally fits over the pencil) over the lamp, and twist. It almost seems as though the eraser was designed for the bull-removing assignment. — Dana Terrill, WSMQS

## PROTECTING CHASSIS FINISH DURING CONSTRUCTION

A application of wax to a new chassis, especially plated ones, will prevent finger marks during construction. After the work is finished, pencil or crayon marks used during layout can be removed by applying more wax. Paraffin or candle wax, rubbed into a cloth moistened with benzine, naphtha or lacquer thinner provides a good protective coating and dries almost immediately.

\*\*Joseph J. Kosina, W2LGK\*\*

[Entron's Note A coating of clear plastic spray may also be used to protect the finish of a chassis during construction. The protective layer peels off most easily after marking, drilling, etc. have been complete.

# Extending the Range of the ARRL Lightning Calculator

• The ARRL Type A Lightning Calculator has long been a most rapid and convenient means of answering questions involving inductance, capacitance and their combination. The original scales are confined essentially to limits that permit a good degree of accuracy. Although any method of calculation for v.h.f. is bound to involve sizable error, an approximation is often of considerable value in providing a starting point for experimental adjustment. In this article, W2AWH and WIFWH suggest simple methods of extending the usefulness of the Calculator.

## Applying Scaling Rules for New Dimensions

BY YARDLEY BEERS.\* W2AWH

PROBABLY the easiest way of computing the inductance of coils having an air core and conventional shapes is to employ a Type A Lightning Calculator.1 However, in the two decades or so since this device first became available, increased use of very small coils has resulted from the development of high frequencies, and from the miniaturization of equipment. Many of the coils employed under these present conditions have parameters too small to lie within the direct range of the Calculator. Nevertheless, with the aid of two well-known "scaling rules" it is possible to use the Calculator with these small coils. These rules provide a procedure for selecting a "scaled-up" coil whose parameters do lie within range of the Calculator. The inductance of the actual coil may be computed from that of the "scaled-up" coil by multiplication or division by a simple scale factor.

The first of these rules is that if the length and diameter of a coil are both uniformly expanded (or contracted) by a factor S, without changing the number of turns, then the inductance will be changed by the same factor S. However, if the length is changed by a factor S without changing the total number of turns, then the number of turns per inch is changed by a factor 1/S. Hence, if we compare a coil with another having the same number of turns but having a length and diameter three times as large, then the second coil has three times the inductance and one-third the number of turns per inch.

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This rule leads to a procedure which may be used when the length or diameter lie outside the range of the Calculator. (1)  $\Lambda$  scale factor S is selected such that when both the length and diameter are multiplied by S, new values within the range of the Calculator are obtained. (2) The number of turns per inch is divided by S. (3) The Calculator is used to calculate a value of inductance from these scaled values of the parameters. (4) The actual inductance is then found by dividing this computed inductance by S. An illustration of this procedure will be given in Example 1 below.

The second rule states that if the length and diameter are held constant, and if the number of turns is uniformly varied, the inductance is proportional to the square of the number of turns. Since under these conditions the number of turns per inch is proportional to the number of turns. the inductance will also vary as the square of the number of turns per inch. If either the number of turns per inch or the inductance lie beyond the range of the Calculator, this rule gives a procedure which can be used. A number N is selected such that by multiplying the number of turns per inch by N a new value within range of the Calculator is obtained. Then this computed value of inductance is divided by N2 to give the actual inductance. Sometimes the second rule is applied independently, but usually it is applied in conjunction with the first rule given above. An illustration of the latter situation is given in

Example 2 below. It should be pointed out that computed values, whether made by the Calculator or by other methods, are subject to errors due to factors which have been neglected, such as the following: The magnetic field penetrates to some extent into the wire, causing the effective diameter to be larger than the winding diameter. Added to the inductance of the coil is the inductance of the leads. which for small coils may be an appreciable fraction of the total. Finally, there is the distributed capacity of the coil. With small coils at high frequencies, these errors may be large. Fortunately, these errors generally cause the actual inductance to be larger than the calculated value. Therefore, even when the errors are large, calculations still serve a useful purpose; to determine the parameters of coils which can be trimmed to the desired inductance with a minimum of effort.

Example 1: The inductance of a coil having a winding  $1^5\%$  inches long of No. 32 enameled wire (114 turns per inch) on a  $\frac{3}{\%}$ -inch-diameter form cannot be calculated directly, because the diameter is outside the range of the Calculator. By choosing S=2, the calculation may be accomplished. The scaled parameters are: length

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For a general discussion of this device, see Mix, "Getting Acquainted with the ARRL Lightning Calculator," QST, April, 1953, p. 44.

 $3\frac{1}{4}$  inches, 57 turns per inch and diameter  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch. With these values an inductance of 136 microhenrys is calculated. This value is then divided by S=2 to give 68 microhenrys as the final result. The value measured by a Q-meter at 1.8 Mc. is 70.2 microhenrys. Because of the low frequency and relatively small wire diameter the agreement between calculated and measured values is excellent.

Example 2: A 5-turn coil has a length of  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch (8 turns per inch) and a diameter of  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch. With S=2, the scaled length of  $1\frac{1}{8}$  inches, and diameter of  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch are within range of the Calculator, but with the scaled value of 4 turns per inch, the inductance lies off-scale. With 12 turns per inch (N=3), a value of 1.94 microhenrys is obtained. This value is divided by  $N^2=9$  to give 0.215 microhenrys for the scaled-up coil, and in turn this is divided by S=2, to give the final result of 0.108 microhenrys. The measured value at 50 Mc. is 0.168 microhenrys. In such an extreme case of a few turns, and with a high frequency, the large error is not surprising. It is, however, of the expected sign.

## Extending Ranges by Self-Calibration

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In answering correspondence that comes to the Technical Information Service desk, it sometimes becomes necessary to approximate the dimensions of coils and resonant frequencies of tuned circuits whose values fall outside the range of the ARRL Type A Calculator.

Some time ago, several of the scales were extended to cover both higher and lower values. Most of the scales can be extended without calculation.

## Inductance Scales

To calibrate the inductance scale for values lower than 1  $\mu$ h., set 900  $\mu$  $\mu$ f. opposite 1  $\mu$ h. Then mark a line opposite 1000  $\mu$  $\mu$ f. Set 800  $\mu$  $\mu$ f. opposite the 1- $\mu$ h. line, and again make a mark opposite 1000  $\mu$  $\mu$ f. Set 700  $\mu$  $\mu$ f., 600  $\mu$  $\mu$ f., 500  $\mu$  $\mu$ f., etc., opposite the 1- $\mu$ h. line, each time making a mark opposite the 1000- $\mu$  $\mu$ f. line. When you reach 100  $\mu$  $\mu$ f. opposite 1  $\mu$ h., the 1000- $\mu$  $\mu$ f. mark will complete a calibrated scale from 1  $\mu$ h. down to 0.1  $\mu$ h.

To extend the inductance scale for inductances up to 10,000 μh. (10 mh.), set 100 μμf. opposite 1000 μh. (Be sure you don't use the 1500-μh. line). A mark opposite 10 μμf. will indicate 10 mh. Set 90 μμf., 80 μμf., 70 μμf., etc., opposite 1000 μh., each time making a mark opposite the 10-μμf. line. Each mark represents 1 mh.

## Capacitance Scale

There isn't much point in extending the capacitance scale below the original 3-μμf. limit, \*\*Technical Information Service, QST.

but if you want to go down to 1  $\mu\mu$ f., set 10  $\mu\mu$ f. opposite the 1- $\mu$ h. line, and make a mark opposite the 10- $\mu$ h. line (this should come close to the 600-kc. line on the frequency scale). This mark is at 1  $\mu\mu$ f. Set 20  $\mu\mu$ f. opposite the 1- $\mu$ h. line, and make a mark opposite the 10- $\mu$ h. line (2  $\mu\mu$ f.).

To extend the scale to larger capacitances, set 1000 μμ. opposite 200 μh., and make a mark opposite 100 μh. (2000 μμ.). Set 1000 μμ. opposite 300 μh., and again make a mark opposite 100 μh. (3000 μμ.), etc.

## New Diameter Scales

On the basis of the observation of W2AWH that if the diameter and length are cut in half, and the number of turns per inch is doubled, the inductance will be halved, it is possible to plot scales for smaller diameters than 1/2 inch, or larger than 5 inches, if desired. For instance, if a scale for 14-inch diameters is wanted, set 10-inch length to 12-inch diameter. Although any pair will do, for convenience find an inductance line that matches a turns-per-inch line, and mark down the value of inductance, and the number of turns per inch (e.g., 13 µh., 15 t.p.i.). Now, make a new setting in which half this value of inductance (6.5 µh.) lines up with twice this number of t.p.i. (30). Place a dot opposite length 5 inches. Repeat the process with length 8 inches on 15-inch diameter to plot length of 4 inches on 14-inch diameter. Continue down to where length 1/2 inch at diameter 1/2 inch is used to plot length 1/4 inch at 1/4 inch diameter. This will give you points for a scale of lengths from 1/4 to 5 inches for 14-inch diameter.

To make scales of other diameters, merely repeat the same process, starting out with 10-inch length set at twice the diameter you want to plot (34-inch diameter to plot 3<sub>8</sub>-inch diameter, etc.).

To obtain scales for larger diameters, reverse the process. Set 5 inches length to 3 inches diameter. Choose values of inductance and turns per inch that line up. Then set twice this inductance opposite half this number of turns per inch. Make a dot opposite length 10 inches. This gives the point for length 10 inches at diameter 6 inches (twice the original diameter of 3 inches). Proceed to plot other points for the 6-inch diameter, setting 4, 3, 2 inches length opposite 3 inches diameter, each time selecting inductances and turns per inch that line up, resetting for twice the inductance, and half the number of turns, to get points for lengths of 8, 6, 4, etc., inches. When you have completed the 6-inch diameter scale, you can proceed to diameters of 7, 8, 9, etc. inches by making the first settings of 5-inch length opposite 31/2, 4, 4½, etc., diameters.

## Turns Per Inch

The turns-per-inch scale can be easily extended, if desired. Simply set the diameter and length scales at values that can be easily

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## • Recent Equipment -

## The Viking Ranger

The "Ranger" is a complete, self-contained, 75-watt (input) c.w. and 65-watt 'phone transmitter covering all bands from 160 through 10 meters. It has a built-in VFO, with provision for using crystal control as an alternative. The r.f. and audio sections may be used separately to drive larger amplifiers; in other words, the 6146 final can be used to excite a high-power r.f. amplifier, while the speech-amplifier and modulator provide all the audio gain and power output needed for driving the grids of a high-power Class B modulator.

A block diagram of the transmitter is shown in Fig. 1. The VFO uses the series-tuned oscillator

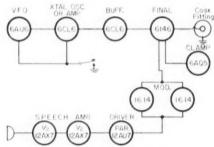


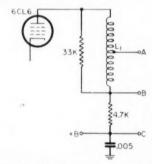
Fig. 1 — Block diagram of the Ranger,

circuit with a 6AU6, separate oscillator tank circuits being used to cover two fundamental ranges, one on 160 meters and the second on 40 meters. The former is used for the 1.75- and 3.5-Mc bands, and the latter for 7 Mc. and higher frequencies. Appropriate bandspreading is achieved on each range by switching padding capacitors in or out as required. The VFO output is electron-coupled, using a broad-band circuit resembling the one shown in Fig. 2, but with a single set of circuit constants.

The second tube in the r.f. line-up, a 6CL6, can be used either as a frequency multipler following the VFO or as a crystal oscillator, selection being made by means of a switch. It is capacity-coupled to the VFO output circuit in the former case. As a crystal oscillator, the circuit is the familiar grid-plate using the grounded (for r.f.) screen of the 6CL6 as the plate, with feed-back condensers from cathode to ground and from grid to cathode, The output tank of this tube is a broad-band circuit that may be of some interest to home constructors. It is shown in Fig. 2. For frequencies up through 7 Mc, the terminals marked A, B and C are onen as shown, and inductance  $L_1$  is chosen to resonate with the circuit capacitances in the neighborhood of 14 Mc. The loading provided by the 33,000- and 4700-ohm resistors broadens the tuning sufficiently so that adequate driving voltage is available for the following stage on 1.75, 3.5 and 7 Mc. On 14 Mc. and above, terminals Band C are shorted; this removes the 4700-ohm resistor from the circuit and thus decreases the resistive loading, thereby increasing the output available from the stage at 14 Mc. For 21- and 28-Mc. operation, terminals A and B are shorted together in addition, resonating the circuit in the 10-meter region. This arrangement is considerably less complicated, both in switching and operating. than a separate tank circuit for each band. Like all broad-band circuits, however, the efficiency is low compared with that of a normal tank circuit, so the scheme is best applied when the following stage requires very little driving power. Also, the tube used with such a circuit should have high transconductance, the 6CL6 and 6AG7 being good examples of suitable tubes. Both these requirements are met in the Ranger design.

The third tube, the 6CL6 buffer amplifier, is capacity coupled to the 6CL6 multiplier and has a conventional parallel-tuned plate tank circuit. Proper inductance values are selected by a switch from taps on the plate coil. The tuning condenser is brought out to a panel control for individual adjustment on each band. A potentiometer in the screen circuit of this tube provides control of excitation to the final stage.

The final amplifier has a pi-network output tank with fixed inductance values on each band. The tank coil, shown in one of the photographs, has been constructed with a view to reducing coupling between the active and shorted sections



 $Fig.\ 2$ —Broad-band tank circuit used with the 6CL6 frequency multiplier-crystal oscillator. Its application is explained in the text.

and thus reducing losses from circulating current in the "dead" sections. The sectionalized coil is used for 3.5 through 28 Mc. Additional inductance is switched in for 160-meter operation; this is a separate coil wound on a ceramic form. A double-section plate tank condenser is used, the second section being switched in on the lower frequencies



The Viking Ranger can be used by the Novice, since its c.w. input is 75 watts and it can be crystal controlled, but it is basically a VFO-controlled 'phone and c.w. transmitter for all bands from 160 through 10 meters. It is bandswitching (one operation) and has separate tuning controls for the r.f. driver and final amplifier. The r.f. and audio sections can be used separately as eveiters for larger amplifiers. The size is approximately 15 by 12 by 9 inches. The cover plate over the crystals has been removed in this view to show how the crystals are mounted.

where more tank capacitance is needed. Fixed padding condensers also are used on some bands for the same purpose. The network output capacitance consists of a 360- $\mu$ µf, variable plus various values of fixed capacitance that can be added across it by means of a progressively-shorting switch. A total of over 2000  $\mu$ µf, is available. The nominal range of load resistances that can be matched on any band is 50-500 ohms, but this range increases to approximately 25-2000 ohms on frequencies above 7 Mc.

The audio section of the Ranger has a cascaded dual-triode speech amplifier using a 12AX7, followed by a 12AU7 (both triodes in parallel) driver for the push-pull 1614 modulators. The output stage operates in Class AB<sub>1</sub>, using cathode bias. The output transformer has a third winding use I for negative feed-back to the 12AU7 grids, the purpose being not only to reduce distortion but also to lower the effective plate resistance of the output stage and thus improve its regulation when it is used for driving a Class B modulator. The

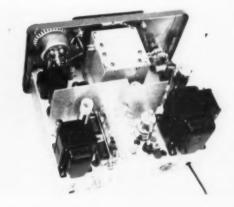
regular secondary is center-tapped to permit using it as the input transformer for a Class B modulator.

The set has two power supplies, one delivering 500 volts for the final amplifier and modulator, the other 300 volts for the low level stages, both audio and r.f. These voltages, as well as a filament supply, are available at the "auxiliary" socket mounted on the rear apron.

Operating features include a "zero" position on the crystal-VFO switch, for obtaining a VFO signal without energizing the final amplifier. As normally wired, this switch turns on the VFO and first 6CL6 by grounding their cathodes (these two cathodes are keyed for c.w. operation). If the resulting signal is too strong or too weak for good zero-beating with an incoming signal, the cathode wiring can be changed so that either the VFO alone, or the VFO and both 6CL6s, will be operated from the switch. The second 6CL6 is cathodebiased and its plate current with key up is well within safe limits. The plate current of the 6146 is held to a low value during key-up periods by a 6AQ5 tetrode-connected clamp tube, A "tune" position is provided on the operating control switch, for making adjustments to supply the proper grid current to the final amplifier before going on the air. In this switch position, all the r.f. stages except the 6146 have normal voltages

The photographs show the internal construction of the transmitter. The case, a single unit except for the front panel, is welded cane metal, copper plated to provide good electrical contact to the chassis and panel. The panel overlaps the front edge of the case and is equipped with knitted monel ("electronic weatherstripping" to ensure good contact. Each of the two small openings in the rear (for access to the connectors on the rear chassis apron) is tightly bonded to the chassis by screws. The panel meter is provided with a separate shield, and all shafts coming through the panel are grounded to the panel opening. These measures, together with v.h.f. filters in all leads to external connections, are for preventing harmonic leakage in the TV bands.

The interior of the set, showing the sectional-wound coil used in the pi-net-work output tank. The two separate devoltages (nominally 300 and 500 volts) are obtained from a single tapped power transformer, using separate rectifiers and filters for each supply. The VFO is contained in a separate shield.



# Happenings of the Month

#### **ELECTION NOTICE**

To All Full Members of the American Radio Relay League Residing in the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern, Roanoke, Rocky Mountain, Southwestern and West Gulf Divisions.

An election is about to be held in each of the above-mentioned divisions to choose both a director and a vice-director for the 1955–1956 term. These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government of ARRL. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their association in the hands of representatives of their own choosing. The election procedures are specified in the By-Laws. A copy of the Articles of Association and By-Laws will be mailed to any member upon request.

Nomination is by petition, which must reach the Headquarters by noon of September 20th. Nominating petitions are hereby solicited. Ten or more Full Members of the League residing in any one of the above-named divisions may join in nominating any eligible Full Member residing in that division as a candidate for director therefrom, or as a candidate for vice-director therefrom. No person may simultaneously be a candidate for both offices; if petitions are received naming the same candidate for both offices, his nomination will be deemed for director only and his nomination for vice-director will be void. Inasmuch as all the powers of the director are transferred to the vice-director in the event of the director's resignation or death or inability to perform his duties, it is of as great importance to name a candidate for vice-director as it is for

director. The following form for nomination is

The signers must be Full Members in good standing. The nominee must be a Full Member and the holder of an amateur license, and must have been a member of the League for a continuous term of at least four years at the time of his election. No person is eligible who is commercially engaged in the manufacture, sale or rental of radio apparatus capable of being used in radio communications, or is comercially engaged in the publication of radio literature intended in whole or in part for consumption by radio amateurs.

All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in West Hartford, Conn., by noon EDST of the 20th day of September, 1954. There is no limit to the number of petitions that may be filed on behalf of a given candidate but no member shall append his signature to more than one petition for the office of director and one petition for the office of vice-director. To be valid, a petition must have the signature of at least ten Full Members in good standing; that is to say, ten or more Full Members must join in executing a single document; a candidate is not nominated by one petition bearing six valid signatures and another bearing four. Petitioners are urged to have an ample number of signatures, since nominators are occasionally found not to be Full Members in good standing. It is not necessary that a petition name candidates both for director and for vice-director but members are urged to interest themselves equally in the two offices.

League members are classified as Full Members and Associate Members. Only those possessing Full Membership may nominate candidates or stand as candidates; members holding Associate Membership are not eligible to either function.

Voting by ballots mailed to each Full Member will take place between October 1st and November 20th, except that if on September 20th only one eligible candidate has been nominated, he will be declared elected.

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Present directors and vice-directors for these divisions are as follows: Central: Wealey E. Marriner, W9AND, and Harry M. Matthews, W9UQT. Hudoon: George V. Cooke, ir., W2OBU, and Thomas J. Ryan, jr., W2NKD. New England: Percy C. Noble, W1BVR, and Frank L. Baker, ir., W1ALP. Northwestern: R. Rex Roberts, W7CPY, and Karl W. Weingarten, W7BG. Roanoke: P. Lanier Anderson, jr., W4MWH, and Gus M. Browning, W4BPD. Rocky Mountain: Chaude M. Maer, jr., W6LG, and (no vice-director). Southwestern: John R. Griggs, W6KW, and Walter R. Joos, W6EKM. West Gulf: A. David Middelton, W5CA, and Carl C. Drumeller, W5EHC.

Full Members are urged to take the initiative and to file nomination petitions immediately.

For the Board of Directors:

A. L. Budlong Secretary

July 1, 1964

## LEAGUE AUDITS

A director of the League recently intimated in a letter to his division membership that no proper audit of the League's books had been made for the past six years; understandably, this has been the cause of some coneern on the part of League members both in and out of the division concerned

The facts: The League's books are invariably audited every three months — as they have been for thirty-two years — by an independent Hartford firm of Certified Public Accountants, one of the best in the state: Hadfield, Rothwell, Soule and Coates. Quarterly summaries of these audits are regularly sent by the General Manager to each director, vice-director and assistant. The charly summary of our business operations, including detailed statement of revenues and expenses, and a balance sheet (similarly from yearend audit by HRS&C) is contained in the annual report of the General Manager, sent to all directors, vice-directors and assistants, and available to any member of the League, postpaid, for 75c

suggested:

(see box on page 33, June 1954 QST). The originals of the CPAs' reports are on file at League Hq. and are available for inspection by any member of the League at any time.

## OHIO AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

Ohio became the fourth state to designate an amateur radio week with the issuance of a proclamation which came about largely through the efforts of Ralph Crammer, W8VHO, member of the Columbus Amateur Radio Association and secretary of the Ohio Council of Amateur Radio Clubs. The text:

WHEREAS, at the present time a Joint Senate-House Resolution is pending in the Judiciary Committee in the United States Senate, which calls upon the President of the United States to declare, each year, the third week in June as Amateur Radio Week, and

WHEREAS, the radio amateurs of Ohio are playing an important part in promulgating and participating in maters of Civil Defense and distress emergency communication work, both through the medium of radio and through their organizational and individual activities, and

WHEREAS, the many contributions being made by the radio amateurs to the nation's progress and defense are, frequently, taken for granted, and

WHEREAS, the radio amateurs of this country are diligent and sincere in their work, having in mind the pleasure and service of their fellowmen, and should have the encouragement and interest of all the citizens in their efforts toward their goal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Frank J. Lausche, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby proclaim June 13 to 19, 1954, as Amateur Radio Week in Ohio and urge all citizens of this State to exert their interest and influence and good will toward the observance of this occasion.

## SECURITY RULES

In connection with FCC's proposal (p. 46, August *QST*) to tighten the security aspects of licensing amateur (and commercial) radio operators, Senator Alexander Wiley of Wisconsin discussed the matter briefly in the Senate on June 18th and subsequently filed a statement in considerable detail. While too long to reprint in its entirety, the following excerpts from the Congressional Record will be of interest to amateurs:

The proposed new FCC rules to ban subversive and/or felonious licenses are welcome steps and very definitely in the right direction. I am gratified that these steps are being taken, partly at my own suggestion and continued recommendation. For approximately one year, I have been discussing with the FCC and with United States security agencies the problem of tightening present security loopholes in the radio field. Even after the two new rules are added, a great deal more will have to be done in this area. The electronics security problem is a very complex one with many, many ramifications. [E.g., unlicensed opera-- En. | Even simply the administration of the two proposed new rules alone will require great and careful effort. Subversive forces will not take this effort on our part lying down. They will probably try to throw every sort of legal roadblock against it. Meanwhile, we must make sure that the two proposed rules are sound, equitable, and feasible from every standpoint and that there are no bugs in them.

Like our security agencies, I was concerned about the fact that individuals under the discipline of the Communist Party of the United States (which means under the discipline of the Soviet Union) could obtain and renew licenses to operate amateur or commercial radio stations. They could thereby be in a position in time of peace to communicate with a foreign Government and its agents for purposes detrimental to the interests of the United States. Moreover, such individuals could in time of war serve in innumerable ways to damage the defense of the continental United States and to give direct aid to attacking forces.

I made it clear from the outset that in my insistence on protective action, I did not want in any way to overstate the case or to be misconstrued. I did not want any American inside or outside of Government mistakenly to assume that there is or was anything but the tiniest proportion of amateur or commercial radio operators who might even conceivably be guilty of subversive affiliation and intentions On the contrary, the record of amateur and commercial licensees in our country is one to inspire the highest admiration on the part of the remainder of the American people. My own State of Wisconsin has long had a particularly fine "ham" radio group. In the Badger State, and in all the other States of the Union, there has never been a crisis, civil or military, a crisis of flood, tornado, hurricane, fire or other disaster - a crisis of war - in which amateur radio operators have not fulfilled the highest expectations of the members of their craft and of the American people as a

Our desire therefore to close loopholes in this field in no way reflects upon the patriotism of the mass of such operators, any more than our desire to protect the security of Government reflects on the mass of faithful, honest, patriotic, hardworking Government employees; or any than our desire to prevent Communist control of labor unions reflects on our esteem for the overwhelming mass of patriotic American workers who are utterly opposed to communism. I have had a great deal of correspondence with members and officers of the American Radio Relay League. well as with the various editors of radio publications. After I had sent one particular open letter to Wisconsin radio amateur operators, Mr. Fred H. Zolin [W9ONY] chairman of the Milwaukee Radio Amateur Club, wrote to me, for example, stating that "My open letter was read and discussed at the meeting. Your expressions in it on your attitude toward the radio amateurs were very encouraging.

The magazine QST, published by the ARRL, in its March, 1954, issue, stated realistically, "For our part, we repeat what we stated to the press... on the subject of security checks for radio operators: We had such checks immediately prior to World War II (including fingerprinting) and we don't believe any amateur would hesitate to comply again, should such procedures again be required."

## Strays 3

Mobile fan W6AYB passes along these hints and cautions to fellow mobileers: Many military training manuals on use of mobile electronics gear make worth-while reading where safety considerations are concerned. . . . Stay QRT when your car is being gassed; one small spark could touch things off. . . . Never work on mobile gear with the car running in a garage; if the doors or windows blow shut you may never know it. . . . Spare cans of fuel should never be kept in compartments (trunks, etc.) where generators, power supplies, etc., function. . . Before sallying forth in your merry old mobile, scrutinize your insurance documents to make certain that you possess the coverage you think you have.



## • On the TVI Front

## CURE FOR ITV

If buzz-saw radiation 1 from your TV receiver's 15-kc, horizontal oscillator has been dampening your operating pleasure, the following remedy, used successfully by Floyd X. Passmore, W6KJN, may be of help. An advantage of this method is that it is unnecessary to remove the receiver chassis to add internal shielding and filtering.2

 Connect two 0.1-μf. tubular condensers and two 0.001-af, disk ceramic condensers in the TV receiver power cord, as shown in the upper portion of Fig. 1. These condensers should be rated at at least 300 volts.

2) Cut a piece of 300-ohm Twin-Lead to a length of about 22 inches (approximately a quarter wave at v.h.f. TV frequencies). Since it is impossible to cut for all frequencies, it will be necessary to compromise and try to hit the center of the frequencies received in your area.

3) Attach one end of the Twin-Lead to the antenna terminals of the TV receiver as shown in the lower portion of Fig. 1. Short-circuit the other end of the stub and connect it solidly to the receiver chassis.

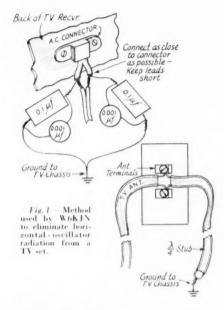
4) Check the channels one by one and see if there is any attenuation of the signals to the TV set. If it is found that some of the channels on one end of the v.h.f. spectrum are weaker than before the stub was added, trim the stub a half inch at a time until a length is found which will not appreciably attenuate the signal on any channel

If you live in an area where both v.h.f. and u.h.f. stations are received, a switch may be used to connect either a v.h.f. or u.h.f. stub to the antenna terminals.

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 It Seems to Us . . . . 'August, 1954, QST.
 Hints and Kinks,' Gallagher, p. 118, September, 1951, QST





## TVI COMMITTEE OPERATION DESCRIBED

Northwest Electronic World, trade paper with extensive circulation among technicians, servicemen, dealers and engineers in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana, devoted part of its June issue to a feature story on the successful operation of the three Seattle TVI committees in cooperation with TV service dealers in that locality, Editor Edward J. Wirtz, jr., W7JGM, who prepared the story especially for the information of non-ham readers, hopes something along similar lines might be accomplished in trade papers in other parts of the country.

> In El Paso, Texas, KROD-TV recently telecast a half-hour feature program devoted to amateur radio. W5UBN, in car, and W5WVD, right, demonstrated two styles of hamming mobile and hand-carried portable - with the cooperation of in-terviewer Bernie Bracher, KROD-TV staff announcer.



## BY ELEANOR WILSON.\* WIOON

Again this year, as for the past two, amateurs across the country valuably assisted in the annual All Women's Transcontinental Air Race. A different flight route each year has given more operators a chance to participate and thus to gain some new and interesting experiences. This year the flight, the eighth annual, was from Long Beach, California, to Knoxville, Tennessee. While unable to give full details here and to credit all of the YLs and OMs who served, it is a pleasure to mention as many as possible.

W6NZP, Evelyn Scott of Long Beach, was General Amateur Radio Chairman, and she and



L. to r.: W6s NZP, CEE, LMQ and K6CDB,

W6CEE, Vada Letcher, YLRL President, operated under the Los Angeles Young Ladies Radio Club call W6MWO at the Long Beach airport, the take-off point, K6CDB, Eileen O'Connell, spent many hours prior to the race scheduling operators along the flight route; and W6LMQ, Elleanor Souter, relayed reports from

\* YI. Editor, QST, Please send all contributions to WIQON's home address; 318 Fisher St., Walpole, Mass.



This picture was made in the studio of WMCT, a Memphis television station. ATWAR co-chairman Margaret Pearre, W4TIE, left, and Lenette Mewborn, W4 DI, right, were interviewed by Olivia Browne, center, on a 15-minute program. The two-meter station in the picture was used during the program to make a contact with mobile YL W4L DO.

her home station from daylight to dark continuously for four days.

W4TIE, Margaret Pearre, and W4UDI, Lenette Mewborn, co-chairmen for Memphis, Tennessee, a stopover point, had the cooperation of YLs W4s UDQ WTJ ZEG, WN4s AFE DMN, and OMS W4s BAQ CV DQH HHK JU TIZ WTI YMB and ZEE. The YLs, operating W4EM on two meters at the Municipal airport, relayed traffic to the OMs at home stations, who in turn relayed on 75 and 20 'phone to other points along the race route.

Continuing the introduction of the new officers of the Young Ladies Radio League for the 1954– '55 term, five more are presented herewith, in addition to the twelve acknowledged last month.

W3RXV — Peg Ferber, of Slatington, Penna., is the new Editor of the VLRL Harmonics. She is contemplating a number of changes in the format of the club paper and solicits comments from the membership. Peg was the first VL to pass the Novice exam, and she and her OM, W3RXW, were the first married couple to hold Novice licenses. Now General Class, Peg operates on several bands and has YLCC No. 21.

WaYBC — Gloria Matuska, of North Riverside, Ill., the new Publicity Chairman, is also president of the Chicago Ladies Amateur Radio Klub. The XYL of W9ATW, Gloria has made more than 1000 contriets on 20 and 40 since receiving her license in March of '53.

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Enhancing the splendor of beautiful Estes Park in Colorado were these eleven YLs who attended the Rocky Mountain ARRL Division Convention June 12th and 13th, YL and XYL programs were scheduled for both days. WOSCF sustained her first-place winning streak by taking home the women's top award—a deep fryer, (At the South Western Division Convention last October, she drew a complete amateur station.) The YLs, left to right, are WOMMT, Marie Ellis; WORTA, Irene Kraft; WORNO, Ada Northrop; W7HDS, Lizette Wolf; WNOSVY, Marke Wengrayn; WOBKM, Sallie Kingsbrough; WOERR, Anna Belmonte; WNOTYB, Betty Rogers; WNOSWK, Dorothy Baldwin; W3LSX/0, Kay Barclay; WOSCF, Louisa Sando.



## Hamshacks

(No Two Were Ever Alike)

BY A. DAVID MIDDELTON, \* W5CA

AMSHACK . . . even the sound of the word kindles a warm glow! This ham-coined word recalls years of fun and work and countless hours spent in rigging up gear, hunting DX, handling traffic, chewing the fat. Did it ever occur to you that the other fellow was also sitting in a hamshack - maybe like yours? He is in a hamshack but not one like yours, OM. By the beard of The Old Man, no two were ever alike.

Hamshack! . . . Roll that word over in your mind! What does it mean to you? Perhaps a snug corner down in the basement by the furnace where it is warm in winter, cool in summer, cobwebby and sooty all the time. Or an attic cubbyhole, blistering hot in summer, so darned cold in winter you had to sit on your fingers to warm them so you could twist the Microvernier on the cut-down Cardwell.

Judging from many recent station descriptions maybe your current hamshack is a pine-paneled den, complete with built-in air conditioning . . disappearing bar . . . row of factory-built gear resplendent with lights, dials and gadgets. But 'twas not always thus! And, to the fortunate, the word "hamshack" has far more pleasant memories.

Let's talk about hamshacks. Do you recall the acrid smell of overheated insulation, topped by the sickening sweet odor of hot transformer oil surrounding that 203 mounted upside down in all



its glory? Remember that 203 (with hole in plate) the bottle you scrimped, saved and sweated to buy? And not for 70 cents at Surplus Joe's, either! Can't you hear the grunt of that pole pig when you slapped the key, hard, as if you were trying to drive your signals over the Rockies for a try at a Transcon. Shut your eyes. See all those jars aglow in the dim dark? That beautiful sight is an even hundred and twenty of Mom's quart Mason canning jars, each with the top neatly cut off, perking away turning out the p.d.c. note once

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so highly-prized. Take another look. You'll never again see a set of "slop jars" with each plate sparkling and over all a faint hiss!

Hamshack! . . . There's a word to conjure with! Remember the day you put up a map of the U. S. A. and so proudly put in that lonely tack? Your first QSO! Sure, it was only over in the next state! So what? Suddenly the map was studded with tacks.

Then one day, apologetic-like, you put away the U. S. A. map. You were reaching out. Worldwide DX! You swiped the latest world map from Dad's National Geographic, DX! You were really

The QSLs came in dribbles, then in spurts, and all of a sudden they poured in and filled the walls. You put 'em on the ceiling. Then came the DX cards — down with those familiar old locals!

Later, it took a set only 10 by 10 to make you happy. Eventually a DXCC certificate went up on the wall alongside the WAC, WAS, RCC and ROWH not to mention a couple of "off-frequency" notices from NKF.

Both you and the hamshack were growing up. You took down all the cards when you decided the shack looked "corny." Take a long look, it will never be the same! Something is gone from that old shack and it'll never return.

Hamshack! . . . Let's go back a bit - 'way back! Actually it was not a hamshack in the true sense, and the equipment wasn't much, I'll admit spark coil, pair of headphones, wooden box with several tap switches and knobs. The shack? well, there rightly wasn't any. The pre-W.W. I gear was stowed away in a clothes closet. But it was a starter and I never forgot it. Years afterward, I found that its owner had never even held a license, but what did that matter? There was a bug in that closet — the ham bug! And it bit me hard!

My first look at a real hamshack? A windowless closet of a lad's bedroom. The one outstanding thing about that station was its one-tube receiver. For B batteries there were flashlight cells, wired in series, with taps running from each cell to a "switch" to vary the B voltage. A ceramic rotary? Well, hardly! Nails were driven in the wall behind the operating table and connection was made with a battery clip for the desired voltage. The receiving tube? A double-filament Audion. I had never seen one before!

On another day in '19 I visited the outstanding hamshack in Indianapolis. It took a lot of nerve to climb those stairs over Hamilton's garage underneath the tall poles out on North Alabama Street. That shack was the roost of 9ZJ and I'd heard he was not friendly with youngsters.



But ZJ took time out to show me around and let me listen to my first voice signal coming from the Prest-O-Lite laboratory at the Motor Speedway a few miles away. Why ol' ZJ had a row of tubes t-h-a-t long in his receiver!

Hamshacks! . . . What's their prime function — to house the gear? I suppose that is the main requirement, or else why bother with a hamshack anyway.

Probably there have been as many different types of hamshacks as there have been hams. However, from the early days of ham radio until fairly recent years, the locale of the ether-busters fell, more or less, into one of several classifications.

There were many variations in layout, but in general one thing stood in common: the combined smell of coffee, Camels, hot transformer insulation and battery acid. It's a nostalgic scent — hamshack!

Let's look in at a few and, say, I'll bet a new grid-leak drip pan that one of these descriptions will sound like home to you.

How about the basement hangout? Let's visit 9AYH (now W6AUQ) in the early Twenties, when Ray Hitchcock lived in Irvington, east of Indianapolis. The passing years have dimmed none of the details of Hitchie's basement shack which was typical of that period. Tucked away down by the furnace, and handy to the chimney draft pipe so that smoke from his then-forbidden cigarettes could be puffed directly into the flue, 9AYH's shack represented a once familiar pattern: rotary gap sitting firmly on a solid 2 by 4 bench, with an oscillation transformer made up of heavy, wide copper strip close by; on the operating table a set of Turney coils (the first in our neighborhood) and a 200 tube lit up like a church. It didn't take much for a rig in those days after you acquired the antenna change-over switch. I wonder if Ray really fooled his OM about those cigarettes? One thing I do know for certain: a ham's folks knew when he was pounding brass in those days, and so did all the neighbors within sound of that crashing, screaming rotary gap.

There was the attic hamshack. This one had many versions and ramifications. Usually attic shacks were cold as a landlord's heart in the winter and hotter than a \$2.00 pistol in the summer, but one attic that always seemed comfortable to this young squirt was the shack-workshop-bedroom of Bill Sweetland, 9BGY (now

W5WKA). Several features about 9BGY's hamshack stick with me now, 35 years later. One was the narrow stairway leading up to the shack. Why a guy couldn't even carry an Esco motor generator set up or down those stairs without bumping his elbows! Ascending the stairs you got an elongated view of one of the 9BGY heaps, a tall slate-paneled spark. I recall this yarn about 9BGY's panel-mounted rotary. One night Bill was fooling around; his key was up but the juice was on. Bill was adjusting the gaps on the rotary when the rubber band that served as a key spring let go. Bill got the full kick of the big Thordarson and he flew across the attic, crashing into the opposite wall. The impact knocked him out. The next thing he knew OM Sweetland was up there trying to bring Bill around and giving him Old Ned for leaving the gap crashing away all that

Another thing about 9BGY's shack was the "swap drawer." A terrific idea! Bill had an old beat-up dresser in the shack and one of the drawers was open to visiting hams. Yes, anybody could open that drawer and take out anything he found there—providing he put something into the drawer, something some other guy might need or want. Was that a popular spot! Many of the beginning hams around Indianapolis owe a lot to that swap drawer. Wonder just how many similar dresser drawers are in use today?

A unique feature about this shack was that Bill could start his antennas right in the shack and then run them out the window (in summer he just took out the window pane), and he could get a lot of good licks in that way in tuning and adjusting his skywires which always seemed to work better than those of anybody else. The attic shack of 9BGY was sacred to ham radio . . . no dirt-chasing female or room-straightening gal ever went in there.



Next, let's take a look at the closet-with-a-window shack. Here was a happy place. Maybe it was because it was mine but I've seen few hamshacks as cozy as the off-the-bedroom shack at 9BJL in the early Twenties. Who ever laid out our house must have had a ham in mind because the room was just large enough to accommodate (a) a sizable operating table, (b) a row of chemical rectifiers lengthwise, (c) the op's chair plus one for the first visitor to arrive (others stayed outside in the bedroom), and (d) lots of sloping ceiling just right for QSL cards and maps and ARRL certificates. Sure, I know, it wasn't big enough to hold a double 6-foot rack. 9BJL didn't boast any

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## V.H.F. QSO Party

## September 18th-19th

ARRL is pleased to announce another of its popular V.H.F. QSO Parties, open to all amateurs who can work any band or bands above 50 Mc. The Party will be held during a 33-hour period starting at 2:00 p.m. Local Standard Time, Saturday, September 18th, and ending at 11:00 p.m. Local Standard Time, September 19th. This week end of concentrated activity will furnish v.h.f. enthusiasts with an unusual opportunity to check out new equipment and antennas, renew acquaintances, and perhaps work some new states.

## How to Take Part

Call "CQ Contest" or "CQ V.H.F. QSO Party" to get in touch with other contestants. During contact, operators must exchange names of their ARRL sections for full point credit. It's also a good idea to swap signal strength and readability reports, although this is not required.

## Scoring

Work as many stations on as many v.h.f. bands as you can. Count I point for successfully confirmed exchanges of section information on 2 or 6 meters, 2 points for such QSOs on 220 or 420 Me., and 3 points on 1215-Me. or higher bands. Then multiply this sum of station points by your section multiplier, which increases by one when the same section is reworked on another band. A station may also be reworked for credit on additional v.h.f. bands.

## Certificate Awards

Certificates will be awarded to the top scorer in each ARRL section. In addition, a certificate will go to the high-scoring Novice, Technician, and multiple-operator station in each section from which three or more valid entries are received in these three special categories. See Rule 7 for details.

## Reporting

Submit your results as soon as the competition is over. All that is required is a simple tabulation of stations and sections worked, as shown en page 60 of June, 1953, QST. Write ARRL for free convenient reporting forms.

## Rules

 The contest starts at 2.00 p.m. Local Standard Time, Saturday, September 18th, and ends at 11.00 p.m. Local Standard Time, Sunday, September 19th, All claimed contacts must fall within this period and must be on authorized amateur frequencies above 50 Mc., using permitted modes of operation.

 Name-of-section exchanges must be acknowledged by both operators before either may claim contact point(s).
 A one-way exchange, confirmed, does not count; there is no fractional breakdown of the 1-, 2- or 3-point units.

 Fixed-, portable- or mobile-station operation under one call, from one location only, is permitted.

4) Scoring: I point for completed two-way section exchanges on 50 or 144 Me.; 2 points for such exchanges on 220 or 420 Me.; 3 points for such exchanges on the higher

v.h.f. bands. The sum of these points will be multiplied by the number of different ARRL sections worked per band; i.e., those with which at least one point has been earned. Reworking sections on additional bands for extra section credits is permitted. Cross-band work does not count.

5) A contact per band may be counted for each station worked. Example: W2QED (S.N.J.) works W1DBM (Conn.) on 50, 144 and 220 Mc. for complete exchanges. This gives W2QED 4 points (1 + 1 + 2) and also 3 section-multiplier credits. (If W2QED contacts other Connecticut stations on these bands, they do not add to his section multiplier but they do pay off in additional contact points.)

6) Each section multiplier requires completed exchanges with at least one station. The same section can provide another multiplier point only when contacted on a new

7) Awards: A certificate will be awarded to the high-scoring single-operator station in each ARRL section. In addition, the high-seoring multiple-operator station will receive a certificate in each section from which three or more valid multiple-operator entries are received. Certificates will also be given to the top Novice and Technician in each section where three or more such licensees submit logs. Award Committee decisions will be final.

8) Reports must be postmarked no later than October 6th, 1954, to be eligible for awards. See the box on page 60, June, 1953, QST, for correct form, or a message to Headquarters will bring a lithographed blank for your contest

## W/VE Contest

## September 25th-26th

This popular "across the border" contest. sponsored by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, will be held the week end of September 25th-26th, U.S.A. amateurs will swap short exchanges (see Rule 3) with as many Canadians in as many provinces and territories as possible, and VE/VO amateurs will contact amateurs in the ARRL sections in the U.S.A. One rules change permits VO-land (Newfoundland and Labrador) to compete on a separate basis with other Canadian areas. W/K stations will multiply their scores by 7.11 to equalize scoring opportunities for all participants. VE2BB, contest chairman for MARC, urges those taking part to read the rules carefully and keep neat logs so that checkers can prepare the contest results quickly and accurately.

## Rules

- Any station located in any ARRL section as listed in OST (page 6) is eligible to enter.
- QST (page 6) is eligible to enter.

  2) All contacts must be made during the contest period from 6.00 p.m. EST, September 25th, to 11:59 p.m. EST, September 26th, with a total of no more than 20 hours operating time for each entry. Times on and off the air must be clearly shown in the contest log.
- 3) Exchanges such as the following must be exchanged and be fully recorded in the log entered: (1) number of centaet; (2) your call; (3) RST report given; (4) ARRL section. Example: NR 1 WØZZZ 579 Kansas.
- 4) One point may be counted for each exchange sent and acknowledged. One point may be counted for each exchange received. For contest credit a station may be worked once on 'phone and once on c.w. on each band. VE/VO stations will multiply the total points by the number of U.S.A. ARRL sections worked, W/K stations will multiply the total points by the number of VE areas worked and also by 7.11, there being nine Canadian areas. (VEI through 8 plus VO).

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## CONDUCTED BY E. P. TILTON.\* WIHDO

Essurere in this issue are the report on the June V.H.F. Party and the announcement of the September one. We'd like to get the contest summaries in one month earlier, and we used to do it now and then, but with the entries running to nearly 400, it's not likely to be done very often any more. Checking a contest of that size is not something that can be tossed off lightly some spare afternoon!

What is behind this growth in contest activity on the v.h.f. bands? Increased v.h.f. population, particularly on 144 Mc, is part of the story. Certainly there are many more 2-meter stations today than ever before, and the activity is much more widely distributed geographically. But perhaps more important is the discovery by hundreds of v.h.f. operators that these parties are

fun for everyone.

Some of us once considered contest operating to be kid stuff, beneath our dignity as mature hams. Not a few boycotted the contests at first, refusing to participate at all. Then cautiously some adopted the "I'll give you a number, but I'm not in the contest" approach. Others, unaware that a contest was scheduled, came on the air on the second evening of a party and were forced into a fast series of contacts by scores of participants who had been digging for new stations all during the previous 28 or 30 hours. "Say this sort of thing is fun, after all; guess I'll

give it a real try next time!"

And give it a real try they did, discovering in the process that a week end of contest operating "has everything." One avid contest man of our acquaintance puts it this way: "There's a feeling of 'living with' the gang that you get in no other way. You may not talk with them directly for the entire contest, except for the minimum required for a contest contact, but you know just how they're doing, and they know how you're doing. There's nothing like a contest, worked for all it's worth, to show how you station and operating skill stack up with the others in your class."

The pace of the v.h.f. parties is hot, but not too intense to leave time for a friendly word now and then. And there's a spirit of give-and-take about them. You come across a new section late in the party, and you haunt the guy until you get a shot at him. But once you've worked him you announce his frequency for others in the pack who may not have noticed him. And you spend precious minutes trying to pull through a weak fading signal because you know that working you may mean a new section and a better multiplier for him, even if not for you.

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Yes, hundreds of v.h.f. operators have found that a contest means a week end packed with thrills. It's real fun; and when it's over you'll know more about your station and its capabilities than you could learn in months of random operating. See you September 18th and 19th!

For you fellows who like to go out to the hilltops in groups; note the new rule on multipleoperator stations. Section awards will be made wherever two or more logs are received from stations manned by more than one operator. We made it three or more in the June Party, but this turned out to be too high; there were many multioperator stations where excellent work was done, but not enough logs were received for an award. If you like multiple operating, talk other groups into going out in your section this time to give you some competition. There's no better sport; the September v.h.f. Party can be a fall Field Day, if you make it so.

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## Here and There on the V.H.F. Bands

The more time you spend of 6, the more fun it is, says W9MFH, Ravenswood, Ind. Bob made his first out-of-state contact on 50 Mc. in April, 1951, and since that time he has had 1633 DX QSOs and his stations-worked total is now up to 220. Though he arrived on the 6-meter scene well after the big doings of the last sunspot peak were history, W9MFH has 35 states, VEI 2 3 4 5, and Cuba. The 6-meter band is rather like a club, in that one way or another you get to talk to almost everyone who operates there eventually. This makes it a fine field for the use of a card file. Bob keeps his up religiously, and finds it a big help in promoting friendly rag-chews around the country.

Whether it be sunspots or not, W9MFH has found the going much better on 6 this year than any before in his experience. June had only 4 days (5th, 15th, 24th, 30th) when some DX was not heard or worked, and up to July 18th only two dead days (12th, 16th) have come up.

This improvement in conditions is reflected in our 50-Mc. WAS box. Last year it went through the summer almost unchanged, but this season quite a few of the gang have moved up a notch or two. But lack of activity in Utah. Nevada and North Dakota is holding many consistently active 6-meter men at 46 or 47 states. Many other states come hard, but these three have been impossible in the last couple of years.

Nebraska has been a tough one, but W9EET/Ø took care of plenty of the gang this summer by spending his vacation at Lincoln and doing a fine job on 6. He's been on from there before, but this season the band cooperated much better

than in the two previous summers.

There has been little sign of resident activity in Vermont of late. W1CGX, who probably provided more Vermont contacts on 6 than any other resident of the Green Mountain State, joined the ranks of Silent Keys some months back, sorely missed. The only Vermont contacts heard about this summer were the work of WIGJO, who operated portable in Averill, Vt., July 10th through 16th. At a lake cottage a stone's throw from the Canadian and New Hampshire borders, Grid put on his 2E26, mobile converter, NC-88 and a 3-element beam and gave the prized Vermont to W2s ORA, OWF, W3s VAM OTC OJU TDF GGR MXW, W4UMF, W5MJD, W8s OJN CMS QLB YFP, W9s VZP YIL, VE3s DER and AIB. For W5MJD, Amarillo, Texas, this was the big one he'd been waiting for - Number 48. Grid says he'll give it another whirl next summer, if Vermont activity is still low.

W8SQU, Cleveland, Ohio, got his Vermont QSO a different way. On July 9th, he hooked up with W1PZA/2, mobile in New York, about a half-hour drive from the Vermont border. A later sked was made and they got together as W1PZA/1 was in White River Junction, Vt. W9EET/Ø gave him Nebraska the same week.

Here's late news, just in from WIAW, via WIOAK. WIMMN, Orango, Vt., who has done so well by his state on 144 Mc., has completed a 6-meter converter. W9VZP was the first signal heard, and George will be on 6 regularly

CO2CT, Havana, Cuba, writes that the Cuban 50-Mc. men think that WSCMS and WSNQD are the only U. S. stations on 6. They work the Ohio boys again and again, but seldom hear anything else, unless it be that never-listens beacon of W5AJG. They also see XEW. Mexico City, almost daily on Channel 2, and commercial f.m. signals just below the band are heard often through the early summer.

Mike also reports that several of the Cuban boys now have TV set-ups working, but they don't use the 420-Mc. band. They expect special authorization to use Channel 13

for testing after midnight.

Have you looked over the 2-meter standings this month? That 28 alongside W8BFQ is no misprint! When you get up to the halfway mark, new states are likely to come very slowly, but Margaret picked up Numbers 25, 26, 27, and 28 in a matter of days. She had to stay up late at night, up early in the morning, but it was worth the effort. Morning schedules with W2QED (0700 EDST) and W1HDQ (0715) had shown the worth of getting started early. WIAZK, Chichester, N. H., has also been on nearly every morning. and it was just a matter of time before W1AZK and W8BFQ would make the grade. This they did, for the first Ohio-New Hampshire 2-meter contact, at 0815 July 1st.

Conditions were better the following morning, with W8BFQ solidly readable on voice at W1HDQ. Was W1KCS in Rhode Island on? We'd never heard him in the mornings.

A few minutes later. Al was just going out the door on his way to work when a telephone call stopped him. A female voice asked, "Are you the ham on 2 meters?" (What's this - a TVI complaint at this hour in the morning - well, she sounds pleasant; guess I'll admit it. . . .) "Yes, but I'm not on the air!" "I know, but I want you to be! This is

Work was forgotten for the moment, while W1KCS got going on 144 Mc. Result: the first Rhode Island-Ohio 2-meter QSO, and Number 26 for W8BFQ; Number 14 for

South Dakota and Number 27 came on the night of July 18th, when W8BFQ worked W@RSP, Marvin, S. Dak., at 2330 EDST. An "insurance" contact was made with WOORE at Gary a few minutes later. At that time WOORE was S3, but by 0250 on the 19th he had reached S8, and Margaret was able to get him hooked up with W3BGT and W3RUE. Also worked were W#s IFS, Minneapolis, SV, St. Cloud, Minn.; CK, Mitchellville, EMS, Adair, and UOP and IYW, Des Moines, Iowa; TI Millbank, S. D.; and WøLEF, Brainard, Nebr. The last one was Number 28! This session lasted right through to the morning skeds to the east, when WOORE was running S7 off the back of the 32-element array at W8BFQ. But, alas, no W1s were heard that morning. Openings have to end somewhere!

With their W1MHL/1 experience as a warm-up, W1PYM and W1RUD decided to see how it would be to operate on 144 Mc. from the highest spot east of the Rockies, and thus provided North Carolina contacts for many W4s, 8s and 9s. Last year, on the way down to the National Convention, Paul and Bob surveyed the possibilities all through the Blue Ridge and Great Smokies Ranges, and decided that Mt. Mitchell, N. C., was the spot. They got no real break from conditions during their stay on this 6684-foot elevation, but even so they managed to work nine states and a maximum distance of 600 miles. For most of the stations worked it was their first shot at North Carolina. The trip also included marathon hamshack visiting, with stops at W4HHK, W8BFQ and W1HDQ, among other points. One night's work was also put in trying to put Arkansas on the 2-meter map, but four states in four QSOs was all they could man-

age in the time available.

Speaking of expeditions, the last week end in July should go down in history as a high in this department. As we write a few days in advance of that week end, we know of several ambitious projects scheduled. WøISL-W6RLB/Ø on Pikes Peak; W6GFQ, W6MXQ, W6DSZ and W6VSV/6 on White Mountain, near Bishop, Calif.; W6LS/6 on Mt. Whitney, Calif. (this should be quite an event, as it's the highest spot in the United States — and no road!); K6EDX and W6QZE/6 in Yosemite Park, Calif.; and probably others. if the weather is good. Should be a good time for another transcontinental 2-meter relay

The year's best Atlantic Seaboard opening to date came on the night of July 12th, and through the following morning. (Why doesn't somebody arrange things so that DX stops automatically at 11 P.M.?) The best DX we've heard of in this one was W1AZK to W4CVQ, 650 miles. The appearance of W4CVQ. Raleigh, N. C., at the right moment had everyone up the coast after him. Among those who connected: W1RFU, who now moves into the top spot in the W1 2-meter standings.

WIAZK reports that the band was dead at his New Hampshire location until about 11 p.m., but things got better steadily until 0200 on the 13th. Don took time out for a bit of sleep between 0430 and 0700, and then got in a few more ontacts before things folded up around 0825. W3TDF and W4UMF both report hearing 11 states in this one

Your conductor had to be away for two days, but even before we left, on the morning of the 12th, W2QED was putting in the loudest signal we'd ever heard from him.

Fine time to be leaving!

Here's a 2-meter beam to end all beams! WØETJ, Elsberry, Mo., has a screen-reflector job that is attracting a lot of attention, both on the air and in the neighborhood. The latter is inevitable, as the reflector is a cylindrical parabola 30 feet high and 7 feet wide. The driven element is 12 feet in front of the center of the screen. Gain on 144 Mc. is better than 17 db. - and the beam is 90 degrees wide! Tests will be underway on 220 and 420 Mc. shortly. On these bands this pigeon catcher should be about the hottest thing yet built in the way of antennas. On 144 it's been doing all right, too, providing solid communication up into the Chicago area and beyond, regardless of conditions.

## 2-METER STANDINGS

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WIHDO	18	6	850			3	1390	
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WIAZK	14	5	650			2	247	
WIAZK WIMNF WIBCN WIKCS	.14	5	600	WESTATE	9	2	240	
WIBCN	.14	5	580	W6GCG	2	2	210	
WIKCS	. 14	5	540	W6QAC W6EXH	2	2	200	
WIDJK WIMMN	10	5	520 520	W6EXH	2	2	193	
				W7JU	3	2	247	
W2UK W2NLY W2ORI W2AZL W2QED	23	77	1075	W7LEE W7YZU W7JUO	3	2 2 2	240	
WZNLY	22	8	1050 1000	W7YZU	3	2	240	
W2ORI	20	7	1050	W7JUO	2 2	2	140	
W2OFD	20	77	1020	W7RAP	2	1	165	
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W2PAU	.16	6	740	Wante	25	8	775	
W2DFV	15	5		WSWXV	22	8	1200	
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W2SFK	13	6	000			77	800	
W2DWJ W2CET	13	4	425	WSUKS	17	2	720 630	
W2CET	13	5	405	W8RWW W8WSE	16	7	830	
W3RUE	23	R	950	WSSRW	16	7	700	
W3NKM	23	7	660					
W3KWL	16	ź	720	W9EHX W9FVJ W9EQC W9BPV W9UCH	23	7	725	
WRINA	16	7	720	W9FVJ	22	8	850	
W3FPH.	16	7		W9EQC.	. 21	8	820	
W3FPH W3GKP W3IBH	15	6	800	Waller	20	7	1000 750	
W3IBH	15	5	570			77	690	
W3TDF	13	5	570	W9LF W9ALU. W9WOK W9ZHL	19		000	
W4HHK	24	7	940	W9ALU.	17	7	800	
W4HHK W4AO W4JFV W4MKJ W4UMF W4OXC W4JHC W4TCR	22	7	950	W9WOK	. 17	6	600	
W4JFV	18	7	830	W9ZHL	. 17	6		
W4MKJ	16	7	665	W9MBI W9BOV W9LEE W9DDG	. 16	7	660	
W4UMF.	15	6	600	Walter	1.5	6	780	
W4OXC	14	7	500	Walle	1.4	6	700	
W4JHC	14	5	720 720	W9FAN	13	o.	680	
WALTEN	14	5	435	W9UIA	12	7	540	
W4UBY W4IKZ	13	5	720	Wadsp	12	5	700	
WAJEL	1.3	5	720	W9ZAD	11	5		
W4JFU W4ZBU	10	5	800	W9GTA	.11	5	540	
WAUDO	10	5	850	W9JBF	. 10	5	760	
W4WCB	9	4	650	weethern and	0.4	0		
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W5RCI	14	7 5	670	WOONQ		6	1090	
W5ONI.	10	5	1400	WOINT	14	6	830	
W5CVW	10	5	1180	WØZJB WØOAC WØWGZ	.12	7	1097	
W5AJG	10	4	1260	WØOAC	. 12	5	725	
W5MWW.	. 9	4	570	WøWGZ	11	5	760	
W5JTI W5QNL W5QVW W5AJG W5MWW W5ML W5ABN	. 9	3	700	******		-		
W5ABN W5ERD W5VX W5VY	. 9	3	780	VE3AIB	20	8	890	
WOERD	. 8	3	570	VE3DIR	17	7	790 790	
WAVY	4	3	1200	VE3BQN VE3DER	13	7	800	
WSFEK	7	2	580	VE3BPB	12	6	715	
W5FEK W5ONS	. 7	2	950	VE3AQG	11	7	800	
		-	- 10-0	VEIQY VE2AOK	11	4	900	
W6ZL	3	3	1400		10	5	550	

Good news for v.h.f. men of the West Gulf Division; W5FEK, who handled v.h.f. program arrangements for the National Convention at Houston last year, will do the same job for the West Gulf Convention at Kerrville, Texas, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. There will be a special v.h.f. luncheon Saturday, and three hours of the convention program have been set aside for v.h.f. activities.

Your conductor had hoped to make this party, but a change in plans developed that will make it impossible. We will, however, be attending the Dakota Division Convention, Rapid City, S. Dak., Sept. 17th, 18th and 19th, and the Midwest Division Convention at Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 18th and 17th, and taking in a long string of radio club meetings and hamfests in many western states in between. If the v.h.f. section of QST looks a bit sparse the next couple of months, this trip will be the alibi!

Did your club use 2 meters in its Field Day activities this year? If not, perhaps you're missing a good bet. Well, maybe not if your operating site was in Wyoming, but there are places where v.h.f. pays off. The South Jersey Amateur Radio Association, K2AA/2, made 245 contacts on 144 Mc. this year, as an example of what can be done.

Perhaps this one should be in with the "Strays." W2TNF, New York City, tells it. He'd just bought a new Communicator, and on arriving back at his apartment he plugged it and turned on the receiver. The first signal heard was W2KH (former ARRL President, George Balley) who was testing, and then standing by for a check. A contact was made, and it turned out that George, too, was checking a new Communicator. It was the first contact for both!

Here's something rather unusual in the way of v.h.f. receivers. The contest job used by WIUIZ/I has, in one package, crystal-controlled front ends for 50, 144 and 220 Me., a two-stage if, that is broad-banded for 10 to 15 Me., a special 10-to-15 Me. tunable receiver with crystal filter, a special 10-to-15 Me. tunable receiver with crystal filter, b.f.o. and low-frequency if, and final detector with noise limiter and audio. Built compactly enough to be toted up Mt. Monadnock in a pack, it's the work of WIWID and WILTIZ.

September V.H.F. Party note: W3QQO writes that several members of the Glenn L. Martin Radio Club, having had fine luck on 2 in the Field Day, are planning an expedition to Spruce Knob, W. Va., highest spot in the hard-to-get state. They plan to be on 6 and 2 for sure, and possibly 220 and 420, if equipment can be made ready in time.

A 50-Me. DX note from an old friend; he's been 6-meter DX as HC2OT, CO2JF and OA4DX. You all know who we mean; he's also worked in this country as W5DNN and W5BR. Now Steve is in Columbia, where he hopes to be on the air on 6, 10, 15 and 20 meters in a few months. The new location is 6500 feet above see level, with a good shot to the north. When the m.u.f. gets back up there, HK? should be good for some 50-Me. DX contacts. And even before, possibly; we note that TV stations of Argentins, Brazil and Venezuela have been reported a few times around the States. If those frequencies can get through on sporadic E. certainly 50 Me. ean.

## How About 1215?

More inquiries keep coming in about 1215 Mc. Seems like everyone is looking for someone else who will jump in at the same time. W3UQB is one who would like to hear from anyone interested in doing serious work on that band. And the Bell Gardens Amateur Radio Association (6418 Sherman Way, Bell, Calif.) would like information on equipment and activity on 1215 Mc. and higher bands. U.h.f. enthusiasts of the Los Angeles area please note.

## OES Notes

The OES family is growing. We welcome many new appointees this month, wish them well, and express the hope that their reporting will be more regular than that of some present holders of the appointment. The reporting for the month of June reached a new high, by the way. Thanks,

gang, and keep up the good work!

WICTW. Arlington, Mass.—Worked 6 states on 144

Me, without Wis, in Atlantic Seaboard opening on 144 Mc.
W3WHZ in Delaware, 325 miles, was using only a pair of
6AK5s in the final!

At the suggestion of W100P, improved action of noise limiter in the C.D. Portable for 50 Mc. described in QST for May, 1952. Referring to page 21, if the value of  $C_{\rm R}$  is changed from 500 to 50  $\mu\mu$ L, reception of weak signals through ignition noise will be considerably better.

WIUIZ, Salem, Conn. — Nightly skeds with WIYQI, Marblehead, Mass. on 144.45 Mc., 600 watts: W1UIZ 144.55, 12 watts. About 25 per cent of skeds result in 2-way contact, though high-power at YQI gets through consistently. Suggest those looking for Maine contacts watch for W1KID/I, Mt. Agamenticus, on week ends through the summer.

K2AMM, Levittovin, L. I. — Completed 220-Mc, amplifier described in May QST. Results much better than previous units using 832A. Regular skeds on 220-10 to noon Sundays with K2BKN.

WSUQJ, York, Pa. — New 220-Mc. rig with 832A in final on 220. Keeping nightly sked with Philadelphia area at 2130

W5FPB, Albuquerque, N. Mex. — Increased activity on 144 Mc. W5s FJE FPB UEO WNL now have 16-element arrays. Recent addition to 2-meter net: W5EYR.

W5NSJ, Albuquerque — 420-Mc. stations active include W5FPB ZFS FJE EDK WQS NSJ. Operating on Capillo Peak during v.h.f. relay, the third harmonics of several 2-meter stations were heard at distances up to 120 miles. Worked W5FJE. W5EDK now has 9903 rig for 420 working nicely.

W6AJF, Sonoma, Calif.— Daily observations on 144 Mc. show signals good regularly 6 to 9 r.m. Occasional inversions later in evening produce good signals to north and (Continued on page 184)

## June V.H.F. Party Results

## Activity and Reporting at New Summertime High

N years past, if conditions were generally poor throughout the East, we could look for a low yield in contest reports when it came time to total up the scores. Not so June, 1954. Thanks to a wider geographic distribution of activity than ever before, the V.H.F. QSO Party of June 5th and 6th broke all previous records. The tabulation shows 370 logs received from 47 ARRL Sections, a record in both categories.

Many of the leaders' scores were below levels set last June or September, but almost without exception activity and interest were phenomenal, Along the Atlantic Seaboard there was no break in the totally-dead nature of propagation throughout the Party, but elsewhere the 50-Mc. band did well with widespread sporadic-E skip openings, and tropospheric conditions helped things along on 144 Mc, and higher bands.

As in just about every spring and fall contest in the past, the v.h.f. operators of the Waltham Amateur Radio Association ran up the country's highest score, though they missed their September record by a wide margin. Using 50, 144, 220 and 420 Me., W1MHL/1, atop Pack Monadnock Mountain, near Peterboro, N. H., made 281 contacts, with a section multiplier of 28, for 8316 points. They won the first multi-operator section award ever to be issued to a v.h.f. contest station, this type of award having been added to the contest rules for the June Party.

The country's high in the single-operator class was made by Liane Waite, W2FBZ, Upper Montclair, N. J., with 185 contacts and a multiplier of 25 for 4925 points. Not far behind her was W1RFU, Wilbraham, Mass., with 150 and 28 for 4396 points. If there were a most-contacts award, it would go to K2CMB, Paterson, N. J., for his 246 contacts on 144 Mc. And the hardest-work award would be for the boys of WHIZ I who toted gear for 50, 144 and 220 Mc, to the top of Mt. Monadnock, near Jaffrey, N. H. You can see from the accompanying picture something of what this barren pile of rock is like - but the spot where they are perched is about 2 miles of rocky trail from the nearest road. They earned their 159 contacts, 3933 points and New Hampshire section award!

But performance in a v.h.f. contest cannot be judged by number of contacts, section totals or scores, unless you know the possibilities of the area you're considering. There is simply no basis upon which a national scoring system can be worked out, so our awards are made on an ARRL Section basis only, Viewed in this light, W7OKV 7 in Oregon and W7s QKE, MZS and JHX in Washington, all with over 50 contacts on 144 Mc., rate a big hand; and W6YEQ, who won the Santa Clara Valley section award with 123 contacts for 2286 points, and W6AJF, Sacramento Valley winner with 113 contacts and 2380 points, rank with the country's leaders.

There must have been plenty of activity in southern California, for W6AXK/6 worked 106 stations on 144 Mc., but his was one of but two logs received from the entire Southwestern Division, W6AXK reports that he had to explain the contest set-up to many of the fellows he worked, 28 of them Novices, How about more logs from Los Angeles and San Diego in September?

In the following tabulation, scores are listed by ARRL Divisions and Sections. Unless otherwise noted, the top scorer in each section receives a certificate award. Columns indicate the final score, the number of contacts, the section multiplier, and the bands used. A represents 50 Mc.; B. 144 Mc.; C. 220 Mc.; and D. 420 Mc. Multiple-operator stations, with calls of participating operators, are shown at the end of each section tabulation.

## ATLANTIC DIVISION

W3TDF	1020	85	12	AB
W3VWF	376	94	4	15
W3SAO	304	76	4	14
W3TEC	292	73	- 4	15
W3WED	183	6.1	3	14
W3SVL	180	4.5	4	15
W3EDO/3	108	36	- 3	-15
W3PMG	80	16	- 5	AB
W3GFZ W3BNU	75	25	- 3	14
W3BNU	74	37	2	E5 5
W3IMW	62	31	- 2	25 5
W3PNL	50	25	- 2	15
W3UMK	4.%	16	- 3	11
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W3PRB	488	58	8	ABC
W3YHI	.472	59	8	B
W3LMC.	312	52	6	13
W3TOM/3				
W3TFA	168	39	4	BC.
W3VAM.	150-	25	6	AB
WN3WOD	140	3.5	4	13.
WROKE	123	41	3	- 13

W3AHM	46	23	2 B	
W3WDA	39	13	3 B	
W3RAH/3			RAH)	
8.	New Je	ersey		
W2QED	1800-	110	15-	
			A156"	
W2BLV_	1310	127	10 BD	
W2UK	1230	82	15 B	
W2AF/2	260	26	10-A	
W2ORA				
W28JB	27	- 9	3 B	
W2BAY				
W2ZQ (W	28 JW	AI	AE Z	1)
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W2BVU/2	1794	69			
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W2RUI	890	86	10	ABL	
W2ORL.	790-			BD	
W2ALR.					
K2CEH					
W2UFI					
W2CCR					
W2VCI					
W2IRU				BD	



Being the operator of the highest 2meter fixed station in eastern America is not all sunshine and v.h.f. DX. Here W1PDN, Mt. Washington, N. H., tries to get his 16-element array back into some semblance of working order for the second day of the June V.H.F. Party. By nightfall there was nothing left but the

And there are few home comforts on the bleak summit of Mt. Monadnock, near Jaffrey, N. H., scene of operations for Wt ILZ/1 in the June contest. Crew who carried gear up the rocky slopes; left to right, WNBRL, WIWID, Fos-ter, Hazen, and operator WTLIZ. Beams for 220, 144 and 50 Mc. don't have to be elevated—there's no "ground" for at least 1000 feet straight down.



W28HT	250-	50	5	14	
W2VVG	244	61	4	-14	
W2OWF	216	54	4	AB	
K2CUY	150 -	50	3	14	
W2FCG/2	78-	26	3	14	
W2WON/2	32-	16	2	A	
W2JGJ/2 (V	V28 JG	JUI	PT	)	
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W2FRL/2 (	W28 A	L.I. I	31	[_)	
	518-				
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W3LNA/3	200	- 40	5	B
W3KWL.	. 140			
WN3YNN	4	- 4	1	13
W3KWH	(W3s			
WHY)	781	- 71-	H	-AB

## CENTRAL DIVISION

	Illinats			
W9QKM.	. 738-	82	- 59-	AF
W9WOK	658	47-	14	AF
W9PPA	352	88	4	E
W9DRN	315	61	5	BC
W9SPM	296-	74	4	B
W9PK	290	58		13
W9USI.	272-	68-	4	
WN9AFP1	264-	66	- 4	15
W9CT	.200-	50-	4	
W9BOI	180-	45	4	13
W9SRK	180-	45	4	15
WN9EGB	176-	44	4	13
W9JYG .	150-	50		13
W9WNK	132-	44		15
WN9ZQG	129-	43		14
W9ALR	126-	42		13
W9ULF	96-	32		11
W9CPF	93-	31-		15
W9ADO.	90-	30-		14
W9SEF	90-	30		14
WN9ZWO		23	3	
W9TGN	63	21	- 3	
W9KCW.	48-	24	2	15
W91Q2	36-	18	- 2	
W9PMN	. 30-	10	- 3	
W9RPH	15-	15		-14
W9RON_	. 7	7	- 1	B
	Indtan	Z		

W9MHP	128 -	16	8	AB
W9BUM	124-	31-	4	- 84
WN9ZZS.	. 93-	31-	3	-15
W9MTV	80-	20-	- 4	15
W9VAY	34	17-	2	13
1	Viscons	in		
W9ZAD	360-	60	6	AB
W9TQ	329 -	47	7	AB
W9UJM	168-	42	4	15

## DAKOTA DIVISION

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WNØRSP WØORE WØDB	20-	17- 10- 3	322	13	
M	inneso	ta			
WNOPYC	5	5	1	14	

## DELTA DIVISION

	Mississi	ret		
W5RCI	112	15	7	110
	Tenness	ce		
W4HHK.	. 210	30	7	15
W4UDO	. 100	25	- 1	83.
W4HFO.	63	59	7	A
W4FLW	32	- 14	4	A

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

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W4PCT W4BAZ/AN	372 1 60		6-3	15	
1	Michiga	n.			
WSRMH	1456	98			
WSDX	1144	78	13	BC	
WSUMI	488	56		BC	
WSNOH	366	61	- 6	15	
WSGNN	255	51	- 5	13	
WSRWW	204	51	- 4	-13	
WSJXU	212	53		13	
WSDDO	172	43	- 4	AB	
WSNSH	138	46	- 3	14	
WN8PSN1	123	4.1	- 3	13	
WSGZN	120		- 3	-11	
WSGYU	117	39	- 3	15	
WSBGY	114	38	- 3	- [4	
WSDIV	105-	35	3	14	
WNSPNX	N4-	28		13	
WNSONS	66	22	3	15	
WSGWA	48	16		15	
WSRFW	24	6	- 4	A	
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WSSRW	790	719		
WSSEG	780	7%	10	14
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	490	65	- 7	BC I
WSHQK.		60		
WSDRN				
WSLAH	348			
WSBMO.		- 55		ABO
WROMK	290	58		13
WSUZ	276	- 46	- 65	AH
WSGGH	270	-54		- [4
WSBAX.	245	- 48		Est.
WNSPZH	196	419		13
WSZSX				15
WSKOM.	156	- 52		- E4
WSQLB.	. 88	- 22	- 4	AB
WSLCY	84		- 4	
WSDPW	76	- 38		-13
WNSRQV.	75	25		-84
WNSNHU		- 27	- 1	-13
WSKKE.	26			-13
WSHUA	24	- 12	- 2	13.

## HUDSON DIVISION

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W2VCB.	4.50	45	10	14
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W2PKY	120-	24	5	E4.
KN2DRV	6161	-20	- 13	15
W2YIK	54	18	- 35	14
W2IP	30-	10	- 3	15
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W2KIT	900	100	18	15
W2FYQ	SEL .	123	7	15
W2DLO	654.161	6103	10	A 15
W2GLU	Start !	105	13	2.5
W2KIR	468	- 78	- 6	15
W2GMT	450	1963	- 5	- 85
W2BNX/2	345	69	- B	15
K2IEJ	308-			
W2JBQ	300-			
W2KJC	284	71	- 4	15
WZAOD .	280-	- 51	- 5	BD
W2LGG	219	73	- 3	- 14
W2FBL	129	4.3	- 3	13
W2YHP	87-	29	3	-15

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## NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

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WIKHL	2295	135	100	AB	1
WISPX	1520	90			
				ABD	,
WIPHR	1470	59.3	15		
				ABD	
WIVLK	520	6.1	- 8		4
				ABD	
WIYDM/I WIZDP <sup>a</sup>	426	71			-
WIZDP <sup>3</sup> WITXI	390	65	- 6	15	-
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W. V. I. V. I. V.	2576.4	- 78	- 4	- 15	-
WNIZGP	276	4518	- 4	-15	-
WIKHM	200	40	- 0	AB	
WIHDE	1189	23	- 7		
				BCD	
WIUQU WIULY WIRMU WIYDS	168	- 081	- 3	13	
WILLY	160	- 40	- 3	13	1
WIRMU	150	318	- 4	15	1
WIYDS.	138	465	- 3	-17	
WIYBZ	135	4.7	- 3	11	
WIAW	132	33	- 1	Att	
WILLAL	124	31	. 3	14	
WISTI	54	28	100	15	
WIREJ	6563	311	- 2	15	
WNIAMY	4.5	24	- 2	15	
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WIPLX	504	63	- 8	Fi	V
WITPZ	428	107	4	F4.	V
WIJSM	424	106	-4	B	V

WITQF	.300-	75	- 4	13	
WILYL	292 -	73	4	14	
WNIZENT WIDJ WISIX/I	284	71	4	15	
WIDJ	276	46	6	A	
WISIX/I	212-	53	4	14	
WIDBH	204	- 31-	- 4	- 25	
WNIVWE	162	- 54-	- 3	- 14	
WNIZCO	82	41-	2	B	
WNIZCQ WIYLV WNIAVE WIMEG	72	24-	3	13	
WNIAVE.	62	31	2	14	
WIMEG	60-	1.5	4	14	
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WIMCEPAL	75.1 -	- 16	- 3	- 1	
WITTEMAL	461	10	- 2	6.	
WIFZ M WICTR WNIZYW	39	13	3	-B	
WICTR	36	18-	2	R	
WYZIZWW	1.5	5	- 3	13	
WILL W/M	4	2	- 2	2.5	
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WIKKR	355	- 71	- 5	-15	
WNIZPH	253	6.3	- 4	15	
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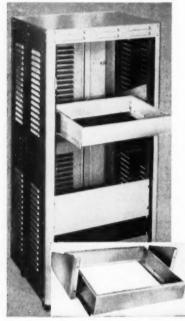
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## **New Apparatus**

## Sliding Drawer Assembly

Much of the convenience and accessibility of commercial radio installations stems from the widespread use of slide-mounted units that make it easy to service a rack-mounted chassis from the front. In the past these slides and associated parts have usually been custom-made affairs beyond the reach of the average amateur. but that day is past. There is now available a sliding drawer assembly that can be used for supporting up to 50 pounds of gear - sufficient for anything except large power supplies. Two 1/8-inch



aluminum brackets are fastened to a standard rack or cabinet, and they support the slide mechanism and a  $16\frac{3}{4} \times 14 \times 3$ -inch skeleton chassis. The drawer slides in and out on ball-bearing suspensions, and a stop screw prevents the drawer from falling out of the slides and onto the operator's pet corn. The support brackets and channel are finished in "gold-tone," as is a 14-gauge aluminum plate that is available for either top (chassis) or bottom (drawer). The gold-tone finish may seem like "gilding the lily," but it makes sense because the drawer assembly is also intended to be used as a mounting for a record player, typewriter or piece of test gear, where the chassis would be in clear view at all times. Amateur use, if it follows commercial practice, will generally include a front panel that hides the chassis.

The S.D. 1717 sliding drawer assembly and the T.P. 1718 drawer plate are made by Bud Radio.

## Strays 3

Reports of the high-seas rescue of the five-man crew aboard raft Lehi, a "floating marine survival laboratory" en route Hawaii, received wide circulation in the nation's dailies during mid-July. The radiop whose diligence pinned down the source of the Lehi's SOS was WIMFT aboard freighter Metapani.

The many friends and on-the-air acquaintances of John F. Wohlford, W4CA (ex-W3CA-3CA), will be saddened to note the appearance of his name and call in this month's Silent Keys. An avid ever-active amateur, "Fred" was a past SCM of the Virginia Section and had been a member of ARRL continuously since 1916.

## A.R.R.L. OSL BUREAU

The function of the ARRL QSL Bureau system is to facilitate delivery to amateurs in the United States, its possessions, and Canada of those QSL cards which arrive from amateur stations in other parts of the world. Its operation is made possible by a volunteer manager in each W, K, and VE call area. All you have to do is send your QSL manager (see list below) a stamped self-addressed envelope about 41/4 by 91/2 inches in size, with your name and address in the usual place on the front of the envelope and your call printed in capital letters in the upper left-hand corner. For a list of overseas bureaus see p. 59, June 1954 QST — also p. 63 of this issue.

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## Correspondence From Members-

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## WAIT'LL NEXT YEAR!

Box 611 Craig. Colo.

I was a scourge, an ignoramus and a lid to the amateur fraternity, particularly during the recent Field Day contest.

I was dropped like a red-hot poker when I advised the other fellow that I wasn't in the contest (for which I blame no one they wanted scores).

Having just procured my ticket not too many moons ago, I wasn't familiar with any phases of the contest. (Sure, I take QST -- had read all about it, and then forgot about it.) I guess the only way to correct this deplorable situation is to get in the middle of the next contest and make as big a noise as anyone else. Were all the gang contestants except

— Irby H. Miller, WØRQC [Editor's Note: Stations "in the field" on Field Day may make contact with any other station for points. It is not necessary to be portable to give credit to a portable station for a contact. Just give him his report and your section.]

## HELPING HAND NEEDED

Springfield, Mass.

Editor, QST

This afternoon I had a most interesting and enjoyable QSO. I was talking with K2BER, a blind ham who lives in Northport, L. I., N. Y.

Art operates mostly in the 80-meter Novice band, taking a personal interest in beginners. He gets a great deal of pleasure out of ham radio. However, Art needs the help of some local ham

It seems that his handicap presents a problem to him. He told me "I have no one to fill out my QSL cards—not even the Boy Scouts! I worry about it day and night."

Art also has BCI problems. After working him for about an hour and a half he said, "I must QRT soon — I have BCI. Mother wants to have her radio on now."

Here is a fellow-ham who is in need of some aid, I am sure that Art would appreciate receiving some help on his problems. Let's show him the real spirit of amateur radio and give him a helping hand.

- Robert Hedin, WN1AJX

## ECLIPSE EFFECT

Rhodes University Grahamstown, C. P. South Africa

An annular eclipse of the sun is to take place here on December 25, 1954 (Christmas Day), Our Physics Department will be making a study of the effect this eclipse will have on the ionosphere, while at the same time, through the medium of amateur radio, it is hoped to study the effect of the eclipse on long-distance radio communication.

It is hoped, should the support of the radio amateurs of the world warrant it, to have transmitters running con-tinuously (call sign ZS2RU) during the eclipse period in the

14- and 21-Me, bands,

To perform this experiment the help of many amateurs and short-wave listeners will be required, and all who are willing to cooperate are asked to contact me, c/o the above address before October 1st so that full information may be forwarded to them personally. Listeners are especially wanted from the Southern States, Central and South America, West Indies and Far East. The information to be forwarded will consist of report sheets which cooperating per sons will be asked to fill in, giving details of the signal strength of our transmissions at various intervals during the eclipse. At the same time details of transmitting times and frequencies will also be sent.

A. P. Dale, ZE4JC, ZS2JW Lanasphere Research Lab

## REGEN B.F.O.

R.F.D. No. 1 Terryville, Conn.

The use of regenerative receivers as preselectors has been described on the "Correspondence" pages; however, they have another use. The procedure described here will convert an old broadcast short-wave receiver into a fairly-useful code receiver. It adds a b.f.o., so to speak, to the receiver without one

An insulated wire from the regenerative receiver antenna post is wrapped around the b.c.-s.w. receiver antenna and a code station is tuned in on s.w. receiver. The regenerative receiver is then tuned to the same frequency (easy to tell by the increase in the s.w. receiver gain) and the beat note is adjusted to the desired tone. Simple, eh?

Juel Anderson, WIYZY

## **QRO TRANSMITTER**

38 Forest Avenue Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

Editor, QST:

Less than a month ago I completed the simple single-tube transmitter described in How to Become a Radio Amateur, So far I have worked about 10 states, with reports that are ometimes as good as those from stations running 60 watts Transmitting on 80 meters only, I have worked up to 500 miles during the day

Incidentally, I changed the circuit slightly by taking out the tri-tet coil and condenser —  $L_1$  and  $C_1$  — and am using a 6F6 oscillator. Keep up the good work

Bob Goldstein, KN2HPC

## TECHNICIAN SPEAKS

1324 Atlanta Rd.

My complaint is a common one of the Technician grade amateur. I recently joined a local barn club with the hope of meeting someone interested in 220 Mc, and above. The list of sarcastic remarks runs like this

Why don't you get your General Class license and be a real ham?

Listening to your grid-dipper must be exciting "How is the QRM on 132 meters these days?

"Technicians are not operators—they are tinkerers."

After a while, this form of kidding gets old. If I was to find a interested party on 220 I certainly would not bring him to the club to get the same cold shoulder. While I point this out in the club, it is common to many General Class hams.

Of course we tinker. You cannot go downtown and buy a transmitter and receiver for 220 Mc. as the real hams do. Given 6 months, I wonder how many of these real hams could put on 100 watts free of TVI and build their own superhet for 220 Me.

These same people are the traditional criers about s.s.b. the kilowatt boys, the sloppy operators, the mobile operators Novices, and all the other hams that don't conform to their

We don't want pity; you have more people on the lower bands than you can stand. Just stop discouraging the ambition to become Technicians and we may not have to listen to our grid-dippers. I have become so bitter now that you couldn't give me a General Class license

- George Hann, WABUK



## CONDUCTED BY ROD NEWKIRK.\* WIVMW

#### How:

Doubtless you noted that an abandoned wartime landing craft played an important part in helping the FO8AJ gang make good at Clipperton in April. <sup>1</sup> The beat-up beached LST served as an invaluable breakwater and jetty during that DXpedition's debarking and embarking operations. However, although various theories were available, no one seemed to know for sure how the craft got there in the first place. Now W1ADW, ARRE ORS and EC up Massachusetts way, comes through with information on the subject in a letter that reads like the best of C. S. Forester. Joe won't forget that LST for quite a while because he was there when she piled up.

LST 563's running aground was only one of the many difficulties to beset the naval expedition that installed an aerology and radio station on Clipperton in December of 1944. While the full story evidently is not a matter of public record, it is no secret that casualties attended among personnel and equipment. Lt. Cmdr. W1TU (now also W4TR) and CRE W1ADW most probably were the first hams to set foot on Old Clip and also the first hams to operate radio gear on the atoll. They succeeded in firing up NPGØ on 4, 8 and 12 Mc. with a navy TCK rig, HQ-120 receiver and a Vec oriented toward San Francisco. . There were plenty of navy RMs around but neither of us had had any operating for four years and we really had a postman's holiday," reminisces WIADW

As for the actual grounding of LST 563, W1ADW states; "[We were guided] to a spot where there seemed to be a hole in the reef and we came in, dropping our stern anchor so that we could pull ourselves off. The anchor did not hit bottom because of very deep water beyond the reef edge. We slowly and helplessly broached in the heavy surf." And then the fun began in earnest. "I'll never forget that Christmas Day, for I was washed off the pontoons eight times and each time I lost hide."

W0NWX and party, with the grit and determination they exhibited, undoubtedly would have won the island LST or no LST. But that dereliet hulk did come in mighty handy, all thanks to this "DXpedition" a decade earlier.

With regard to the ARRL DXCC Countries List, the term "rare DX" long has been a pet proposition for polemics. Just what countries are rare and what countries make up the common garden varieties? Joker Joe, with over 200 confirmed, has his tongue hanging out for an EAØ contact; Seedy Sam, with only 93 in the bag, has

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\*Denniston, "DXpedition to Clipperton," July QST.

worked three EAØs and would prefer not to be bothered by any more. Obviously, any discussion between Joe and Sam as to whether EAØs are rare is a waste of time — it's purely relative.

On the other hand, the adjective rarest readily lends itself to quantitative handling and analysis. How? Let's try it. Countries still unworked postwar by stations listed in the c.w.-'phone DXCC Honor Roll (p. 61) must be difficult to come by. Thus, if we ascertain which countries are most needed by this group of DX sharpshooters we will have established beyond much doubt what constitutes "rarest DX."

Here is a tabulation in which are listed various Countries List items followed by figures that indicate how many of the top 22 DXCCers still hadn't confirmed them, to our knowledge, as of July 15th:

Afghanistan, Alfabra Islands, Bhutan, Christmas Island (ZC3), Comoro Islands, Laccalive Islands, Maldive Islands, Mongolia, San Andrés & Providencia Archipelago, Sarawak, South San Iwich Islands, Tannu Tuva, Tokelau (Union) Islands, Vatican City, Wrangel Island — needed by all 22.

Seychelles	21	Cambia
Albania		New Hebrides
Goa (Portuguese India)	17	Rio de Oro
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	16	Tadzhik
Ifni	14	Tibet
	14	Amsterdam & St. Paul Islands
Nepal	14	Azerbaijan
Qatar	13	Baker, Howland & American
Cocos Island (TI9)		Phoenix Islands
French Indo-China	12	Burma
Cocos Islands (ZC2)	12	Caroline Islands
Clipperton Island		Cayman Islands
Sultanate of Oman	11	Corsica
Svalbard (Spitzbergen)	11	Easter Island
Portuguese Timor	59	French Equatorial Africa
Fanning (Christmas) Island	8	Gilbert & Ellice Islands &
Crete.	7	Ocean Island
Sikkim	7	Israel
Kirghiz	6	Johnston Island
British Phoenix Islands	5	Karelo-Finnish Republic
British North Borneo	5	Liechtenstein.
Ascension Island	5	Macquarie Island
Jan Mayen	4	Marion Island
Kuwait	4.	Netherlands Borneo
Yemen	4	Netherlands New Gumea
American Samoa	3	Nigeria
Andorra	3	Niue
Fridtjof Nansen Land	3	Reunion Island
Palau Islands	3	Sierra Leone
Piteairn Island	3	Solomon Islands
Principe & Sao Thome	3	Southwest Africa
St. Helena		Syria
Brunei .		Turks & Caicos Islands
French India		Uzbek
French Somaliland	2	Windward Islands

That's the way it goes. And now you know where you can go on that super-duper DXpedition you've been dreaming about. Remember, however, that French Indo-China, Republic of Indonesia, Iran, Korea and Thailand still are on the taboo list (p. 56, June QST). Good luck, OM — PSE QSL!

## What:

In the text to follow, frequencies (given in number of kc, above the toure band-tlimit) appear in parentheses, times without E.g., (9) = 1,009 kc, 17 the paragraph deals with 20-meter work. Times are 21-hour time, zone or GMT spectfied, using the nearest whole-hour facure such as 7 for 0720 or 0630, 09 or 0016 or 2345.

Twenty c.w., first of all. Among fitting commemorations

of Marco Polo's 700th birthday this year, G2RO continued

his Asian journeying under aliases VS2RO, VS4RO, VS5RO

(50) 6-7, KR6AA (30-50) 13, KX6NA (90) 5, a VK9 VR3A (52-84) 0-3, VS6CT (95) 13 and heard AC4NC (20) O-1. Mickey also caught up with ZC6UNJ (42) 22-23
EA9DF of Rio de Oro (58) 13 GMT, HATOL (64),
JA1FA (81), KA2ZZ (95), KR6OS (39), OD5AV (28),
ZC4IP (45) 18, a ZC6, 4X4s FQ (25), FS (16) and 9S4AD (90) brought W8EV to 139, Ben's gottaways include
FK8AE (84), VK9RH of Norfolk (40) 22 on the west path,
VRs 2BZ (28) 5, 6AY (25), VS4VR (28) 22 and YJIAA (58) ..... Bearing down on the 100-mark, W4YDT raised AG2DX (40) 23, CR6C8 (65), CT3AB (15) 0-1, DUIAP (70), FF8AJ (95), FP8AP (70) 14, HK1TH (25-44) 23, IS1CXF (55) 22, IT1TAI (40) 21, JA6AO (70), OD5LJ (30–60 t7) 21 and 4X4FK (65) ... W9HIN ran acc LU@DJW (35) "in the Mediterranean" and SUIB VE5HR collected a Jan Mayen LB8 and 4X4RE ... FO8AK 20 PDT, HK4DP 15, JZ#KF 22, SVs 18P 21, #WA 21, VS1YN (38) 8 and 4S7XG (58) 8 made it 119, 100 W6GEB. Bill is one who has no difficulty collecting among the fortunates to catch G2RO in Brunei and Sarawak, and also lopped off ZC58F (31-65 t7) 14... W2WZ came to grips with AP2Q (66) 19 GMT, CR9AH (50-82) 13-14, DU1CV (81) 13, I5LV (85) 20, KA9LJ (108) 12, KJ6AF (55) 3, SV2RI (50) 21 of Rhodes, VS6CL (33) 13 and ZC7DO (37) 0 . . . . Among the many nifties nabbed by W5UUK we find CE#AD (6) 20 CST, CT2BO (27) 18, DU7SV (72) 7, EA9AP (10) 17, a couple of FA boys, ISIAHK (10) 18, ST2NG (26) 17, TF58V (25) 18, VQ4EG (25) 9, ZB1AUV (92) 15 and 5A2FA (51) 17. Johnny is in

KAs 2GE 8SC (4), PJ2AR (8), an FO8 and a KX6 A quick tour of the circuit reveals the following 14-Me. c. luck here and there, at W/WAI: EA6AW (64) 23-0 GMT EL2X (48) 13. MF2AG, VQ3EO, 3V8AN. *K2GFQ*, LB8ZB, LZ1KPZ, VK1AC (20) 1 GMT of Macquarie, VQ4CF, YS1O (20) 0. *W2HAZ*, YU2DU 12 GMT. *W3LEZ*. JAs 5AB 7BJ, KASHP (worked); JAs 2CZ 3AF 3AR 6AD 7CP, KAS 1TQ 2DX 8AB 9GF (heard), W4TM an FO8 and JZØ. W4YDT: ZC4CA (55), 4X4F8 (70), missed ZD9AB (68) 11 GMT. W4YHD: CN2AO (71), EL2L (69) 22 GMT, JA3BB (63) 13, MF2AL (65), OQ5BB EL2L (69) 22 GMT, JASHS (63) 13, MF2AL (65), OQ5HB (15), ZC4CK (39), ZDZDCP (32), 9SAB (38), W4YZC: HC1KD, KA4DR, W5VIR: FM7WP (38), I1BNU, Trieste (25) 18 CST, JA2AN 11, KB6AF 19, KM6AX 20, ZD4BQ (7, ZK1AB (66) 22-0, 4X4DK 17, W5WZQ; AG2AA (17), CX5CO, HK1BZ, HP1AW, KG48 AN AO, KV4BD, PJ28 AD AL, YV5AE, K69BTE 1: n CT2, KG4AE, KV4AA, OX38 HK UD, n TA3, n ZC4, W6ALQ: LZ1KDP (66) 22 GMT, TA3MP (25) 21-4, VK1PG of Heard Isle, W6NN-me, VM1AA (65) on "Trivas Island", W6PNE, KA8 9CN. one YM1AA (65) on "Tuwa Island." WOPNE: KAs 2CR (10) 23 CST, 8RH (55) 10, a KR6. . In one hour and 25 minutes DLAZC (ex-W4KE) rattled off QSOs with an LU3, MP4BBE, an ST2, VU2KV (40) 2 GMT, 4S7KH, a W6, VU2NG, a Y12, a JA2, DU1NL and OH5OP. This CP3CA, FB8XX of the Kerguelens, FK8AO, HC117: CP3.A. FBSAA of the Kergueiens, F&SAO, HCIFG, HH3RC, JA14G, KB6AY, KW6BS, KX6BU (83) 6 GMT, LUIZK, MP4BBK, OQ5CP, OX3NB, PJ2AE, SP3AK, TA3AA (32) 4, TFSSG, T69AC, VK9WZ of T.N.G., VPs 2MD 8AQ, VQs 2AB 5DZ, VR2AS, (37) 6, VSs. 1FH 2DW 6CR, VU2CS, YO3RF (20) 4, YV5BJ, ZBs. 1BU (20) 2-3, 2A, ZC4RX and 4S7LB 14 for sedulous W6QPM These 20-meter c.w. items are established as active imminently active, by the radar-eared West Gulf DX Club gang: CN2s AB (20) 14-22 GMT, AX (52) 7, CP5EK (20) 14. CRs 8AB (20) 22, 9AI (98) 14-15, DU6s CV IV (56) 12, EL2P (48) 13, FF8s BC BE BG CG, FK8s AB (110) 5, AL

(60) 6, FKS8BC (25) 6, FN7A (9) 21, FO8AD (120) 19, PYs 77 B 77C 8AB (80) 12-13, GD31BQ (35) 21, HV1AA, HZ1WS (58) 1, ISSG (55) 19, KCs 4AB (100 and other bands), 6AA (30) 12-13, KR6s MS (80) 13, OH (84) 13, OL (50) 13, LH2P (145 and other bands) 6-8 on Svalbard, LUs IZT of Antarctica, 3ZB the same, MP4s BBL (60) 22, KAC QAH (26-65) 12-13, OD51.X (34) 4, OQ5s GA (50) 21, GU (44) 21, OX3s AV (30) 21, PW (75) 14, PZ1AL (22) 13, SPs 5BA (40) 16, 9KAD (45) 23-0, SV6s WG Crete, RI (42) 22 of Rhodes, WY (48) 22, TFs 3AB (78) 4, 5TP (70) 23, UAs 9CV (18) 13, 6KFA (65) 13, 6KKB (61) 13-14, 9MA (40) 1, XZ2OM (24) 16, YO3GY (15) 21, CM (46) 13-14, 9MA (40) 1, XZ2OM (24) 16, YO3GY (15) 21, ZA KAA 2KAB 3KAC, ZB1KA (40) 22, ZC5s PM VC (55) 12, VS (85) 13, ZD3BIC, ZKIAM (100) 5, ZP5s BC (35) 2, 3, GM (5) 0, 4S7s NG (25) 16, NX (25) 5, 9S4s AD (52) 23-0, AX (32) 23 and AZ (62) 22, all times GMT — Many of the aforementioned plus ABIUS (180) 8, CR2AO (53), CR19AO (45), LB61E (22) of Jan Mayen, LU8ZS of So. Shetlands, OQ6DZ (57), VK1HM ZC2 (85), VPs 2AD 3YG, VQ5DC (33), VS2s DE 9, EG 10, VU2s FX 8, JK (33) 14-15 and LL, are gleaned from the No. Calif. DX Club DXer and So. Calif. DX Club DXer and So. Calif.

CT3AN, KA3AC, a KR6, KT1LU, PJ2CA and YU1AD answered W9WHM's Globe King and 3-el, whitler, John was an SWL for 17 years before he took the leap... Newark News Radio Club observers point up the 14-Mcradiotelephone doings of AC4NC (120) 4, AG2AA 16, CN2AD 17, CN8s CS EH GU HG HM HV MM, CP5EQ-CP6 20, CRs 4AP 5SP 16-17, CS3AC (160), CT2AG (170), DU1AS (191), EAs 6AR 8BG, EL9A 15, ET2s LV 17, ZZ 15, FA9WD, FM7s, WD, WN, FO8AB (160), HH38 L, DL, H18WF, HZ1AB (3310), 17, IT1s, RXX 18, TA1, JA1AC.



KA2s AC AK AM BC BS DW EF FC IM JF JL LK MC OL WL, KA3s GH MB MD RD RR WQ, KA4s MA RK, KA8 5HM 6AF 7LX 9FF, KB6AO (202), KG6s ABN ACK (227), AFJ (202), AO FAA (220), IG of Chichi, SB on Saipan, KJ6BE (295), KR6s AB AF (297), AZ OY, KV4s AA BB, KX6s AF (125), BU, LX1D U (160) 17, LZ1AA 18, MP4QAO of Qatar, OD5AF, OQ5s CX EC (100) 15, PJ2s AA AF AG AK, VKs 1PG (152) 3 of Heard, 9YN, VP2s BD DN (145), GX (96), KB LN, VP3HAG, VP3W, VQ4s AC EV RM (155) 16, VR3C (144), ZB2A, ZC7DO 16 of Jordan, ZKIBI (145) 0, 4X4BO, 5As 1TC (110), 1TZ (130), 2TZ 3TF 4TL, 9S4s BN and BS 17, times EST.

Forty c.w. produced pay dirt for its faithful. W4YHD made off with K66FAA (40), LU4ZB (25) of Grahamland, SP9KAD (18), VKs. 1DY (2) of Heard, 9YY (18), VPs. 2SI (21), 8AA (17), 8AO (16) of Grahamland, and 5A3TC (13). Jim's ground-planes (erection aid from Ws. 1YFM 3QZC and 9GQL) are doing okay but he's rigging up a fearsome



Prince Abdullah Feizal, HZIAF, another member of hamdom's royalty, pays a visit to Captain Kurt Carlsen's W2ZXM/MM hamsback aboard Flying Enterprise II during one of Kurt's recent Middle Eastern voyages.

rhombic at his Leesburg, Va., QTH......VK9RH of Norfolk was 7-Mc. country No. 112 for W2QHH.......A flock of VKs. FABDA (30) who is fast with QSLs, and VP7NM worked W4YDT's Viking II......W5WZQ awaits QSLs from 7-meggers HBIRQ. HC1LE, KG4AN, KM6AX, LU2ZI and VP3YG. In fact Dave already has the KM6 confirmed ......In W7JLU's 40-meter log we note L8ASAI (30) and ZM6AS (25) who hopes to be a Tokelaus ZM7 come next March......An input of 3.75 watts raised KH6ANL for KZ4KW/6......W3WPG did a job on DUIVC, an FP8. HK1TH, an HC1, SP9KJ, a VP2, VP8AZ, YIZAM at 22 EDT, YU2s AD AKL and ZD4BQ ......An HT-18 at 4 watts input and a 20-foot-high hunk of wire hauls in stuff like HBIMQ. KV4AE, PJ2AI, an SP9 and YV5FH for K2DGT. Bob evidently is in on a few 7-Mc. trade secrets of his friend W2RDK! The latter is readying a pair of 813s for 40-meter autumnal battles ......One of ARRL. Hq.'s most avid DXers, W1VG, recently confirmed his 100th 7-Mc. country......Now a glimpse of luok on 40 at this shaok and that shack. At W1APAE, D144Q. VK3TJP (both A3). W1WAI: KG4AN, FP8AP. W8OLU: a VP8, LU6EAB/MM off Chle. W3DLI: a Heard VK1, Norfolk VK9, W4ARH: scada of VKs, ZLa. W4 YZC: Europeans and Oceanians in abundance. W3PMN: HH3DL, HP1RX, T12BX (ex-CP1BX), YV5FL and Oceania DX s-plenty.

## Where

Your attention is called to a listing of several overseas society QSL bureau revisions appearing in "IARU News" this issue . . . . . . With DX conditions ready for the rethis issue . \_ . \_ . With DX conditions ready for the re-bound your ARRL QSL Bureau will be handling a steadily increasing volume of pasteboards. We had better mention the business of U. S. and Canadian amateurs sending DXdestined cards to ARRL Hq. for relay overseas, which is not a function the Bureau is designed to perform. Except in rare and unusual circumstances wherein certain DX stations have requested and have been granted such facilities, these incorrectly routed QSLs must be returned to senders. The excepted instances invariably are called to your attention in Where" section. When in serious doubt about where to send cards, you're welcome to drop a line to Jeeves for a suggestion or two, but please don't send him the QSLs . . . . . The VR6 who specified "QSL via WIJEL" is not known to WIJEL - save your postage . . . . . W2KMZ has the VK9YY log for the period from Dec. 19, 1952, to May 2, 1954. If you still need Alan's pasteboard send a stamped self-addressed envelope accompanied by QSO particulars to W2KMZ. Frank adds: "I have . . . sent out about fifty JZØKF QSLs and the rest [are supposed to have been] mailed from T.N.G." It now appears that some of the latter group went astray and W2KMZ is checking on the matter . . . . The Call Book is not necessarily in error when we run addresses that differ somewhat from those listed for the same stations in W9TRD's directory. Overseas DXers often take box numbers, etc., to expedite collection of OSLs while their residential or station addresses continue valid. Anyway, the following items attest to the penmanthip and good will of W1s RDV UED WPO YYM ZDP W28 BVS HAZ HSZ SHC WZ, W38 LEZ VKD, W4YDT, W68 ALQ DZZ UED ZZ, W8YIN, W9CFT, LeRoy Waite (NNRC) and the WGDXC DX Bulletin:



This venerable layout in Paeroa, N. Z., is the trusty means by which ZL1CI raps out the 3.5-Me, signal so regularly worked and heard throughout the world. Those are 801As in the final. (Photo via W-4YZC)

Owens, c/o CAA, Wake Island ... KW6BE, Charles R. Whitfield, c/o CAA, Wake Island ... KW6BI, James M. Russ, c/o PAA, Wake Island ... KX6AS, Dale Schermerhorn, Marshall Islands ... ex-KZ5IL-KW6AR, Ivan C. Lundblom, 3501 NW 12th St., Mamii 35, Fla. ... L12F, c/o Bern School of Navigation, Bergen, Norway ... MD5RA, Fayid, Suez Canal Zone ... MP4BL, Islandis, Suez Canal Zone ... MP5RA, Ismailia, Suez Canal Zone ... MF2AL (QSL via RSGB) ... MP4BAR, C. M. Webber, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BAV, R. Fuqua, c/o Kuyait Oil Co., Ltd., Kiuwait, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBG, B. A. Loveridge, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBG, B. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, IAL, Muhrraq, Bahrein, Persian Gulf ... MP4BBH, R. R. Green, Hurt, Waits, P. O. Box 260, Ugls. Via RSGB) ... ZC7DO (QSL via RSGB) ... ZD4BM, B. A. Wilbraham, P. O. Box 260, Lakorad, Gold Coast ... 4S7RS, S. Nettleton, GPO Box 985, Colombo, Ceylon ... 5A2FA (QSL via REF) ... 5A4TR, A/2c Gene Hurt, Box 152, 580th AR Sqdn, APO 231, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

## Whence

 Oceania — The NZART (New Zealand) Worked All Pacific and Worked All New Zealand awards — WAP and WAZL — now are available on a world-wide basis. WAP is

based on the confirmation of 30 or more DXCC-List countries in the Oceania continental area, while WAZL requires the confirmation of Q8Os with at least 35 of the 51 NZART New Zealand Branch areas. Write concerning both awards to New Zealand Asno, of Radio Transmitters Awards Manager, Box 489, Wellington, N. Z. October's VK/ZL Test, a DX operating event of long standing, will be an excellent opportunity to build up muscle for WAZL prospects ... Electronics-mitded 17-year-old Andre V. Ludjono, Mardekaya 132, Macassar, Indonesia, desires to correspond with young U. S. hams or soon-to-be hams ... Ex-VK2ABE now signs VK9AU in Wewak, T. N. G. KL7PI's Q8L to KPGYA bounced like a rubber sphere. Joe deplores the chain-gang system employed by several groups in salting away the rare ones, a "you hold him while I hit him" technique ... From the pen of ZM6AS (ex-ZL1AJJ): "I will be here for about two more years and will be active inter on all bands, c.w. and 'phone." Les has two ARC5s and an English Marconi-1155 inhaler ... ... JZ8KF Netherlands New Guinea operation, we see in the SCDXC Bulletin, is now but a most pleasant memory.

## DXCC CENTURY CLUB AWARDS

(Continued on next page)

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	RA	DIOTEL			
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Europe — Don't let those "GB" calls untrack you. GB38FS is the call of a 3.5-, 7- and 14-Mc, exhibition station that was operated in late August by the South Shields & District Amateur Radio Club in conjunction with the annual South Shields, England, Flower Show, And here's annual South Shields, England, Flower Show, And here's another GB coming up. GB3NCB will be in operation at the R8GB National Convention, Bristol, Sept. 17th through 19th. "Transmissions will be confined to the 1.8-, 3.5- and 14-Mc. bands and operation will be mainly on telephony.

From 7 Me. upward, frequencies available to Trieste AG2s closely parallel our own. But they have no 160-meter band and have a typical European split 80-meter allocation: 3500-3625 and 3685-3800 kc. Maximum permitted power input is 500 watts. AG2AA writes that an-



Top DX competitor up Alaska way with 183 DXCC Countries List items confirmed, KL7PI puts Juneau on the ham map in multifarious ARRL operating activities. Joe's p.p. 190 THs final, not in view, is tickled by the homebrew VFO exciter resting atop the 75A-1.

## VK/ZL DX CONTEST

NZART (New Zealand) and WIA (Australia) invite world-wide participation in this year's VK/ZL Test to be held (c.w.) 1000 GMT, Oct. 9th, to 1000 GMT, Oct. 10th, and 'phone) 1000 GMT, Oct. 2nd to 1000 GMT, Oct. 3rd. If competing in both periods, submit a separate log for each; operate any amateur bands. Details:

Serial Exchange Six figures (five for 'phone) consisting of RST plus QSO number — 001, 002, etc.
Scoring: One point per contact, each station worked once per band, this total to be multiplied by the number of VK/ZL numerical call areas worked

of a possible 11 (VK8 and VK9 excuded). Logs. Record date, GMT, call, scrials sent-received and band for each contact. Use a separate sheet for each band worked and underline each new VK/ZL call area worked. Attach a summary sheet bearing total score and a signed declaration that contest rules have been observed. Logs must reach NZART, Box 489, Wellington, N. Z., on or before Jan. 21st, 1955, to be cligible for certificates which will be awarded to the lighest score in each coun-

LABRE DX CONTEST

try and U. S. call area.

LABRE (Brazil) invites world-wide participation in the society's 1954 DX contest to be held (e.w.) 0001 GMT Sept. 4th to 2400 GMT Sept. 5th, and ('phone) 0001 GMT Sept. 11th to 2400 GMT Sept. 12th, Serial exchanges are the same as those designated for the VK/ZL contest above.

Scoring: Each contact between stations (a) of different countries outside the American area \* shall count I point; (b) of different countries in the American area shall count 2 points; (c) in the American area and stations in all other countries of the world shall count 3 points; (d) in the same country (to obtain multiplier) shall count 0 points. Multiply points total by the number of Anyerican area bandcountries worked and then by the number of Brazilian band-call areas worked. (E.g., working Mexico on 40 and 20 meters gives two band-countries.) No cross-band or A1-to-A3 contacts are allowed.

Logs: Record information as in the VK/ZL contest above. Logs must reach LABRE Contest Commission, Caixa Postal 2353. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, no later than Nov. 30, 1954. First- and second-place award certificates will be issued to stations in each country and in each Brazilian call area for (1) the highest single-band 'phone-only or c.w.-only score, and (b) the highest multiband score, 3-band minimum, 'phone-only or c.w.-only.

 "American-area countries" are constituted by the WAA Countries List which includes DXCC countries within the North American and South American continental WAC boundaries.

tennas must be put up with considerable care at his location because of 120-m.p.h. winds prevalent in February . HB9MX tells W28HC he lf be operating HB1MX/HE in Liechtenstein during the first two weeks of this month with a 15-watter on 10, 20 and 40, A1 and A3 ..... W2DPP sailed for the Mediterranean aboard S.S. Exacharda and found W2YWO holding forth in the radio shack, W2DPP subsequently enjoyed a pleasant visit with DXer EA7CP of Seville .... Two IRCs should be enclosed when of Seville . . . Two IRCs should be enclosed wher writing for information on the OZ-CCA DX award (pp. 57-58, June QST) ..... As of June 26th, W2s QHII WZ BXA and DKF are the only U. S. A. holders of USKA (Switzerland) H-22 awards. HB9CZ fills us in on results of the March Helvetia-22 DX contest: U. S. scores from the top down are W2WZ 1740, W2DKF 1020, W4EPA 284, W2SAW 72, W2WC 30 and W3AYS 12. High non-Swiss European scorer was DL3EV with 5994, and the highest non-European tally was turned in by FASDA (5757). winning Swiss entrants were acknowledged under HB1KB. Uri's photo last month . . . . News via W8EV will strike responsive chords among the hardened sinews of OT DXers. Ex-OE3AH, Archduke Anton of Hapsburg, was worked as OE5AH by Ben in late June. The story of OE3AH, the 1938 ARRL DX Test, and the German-Austrian "Anschluss, stands among the highlights of DX history (see p. 25, June 1938 QST).......DL4FH (W5QXII) radio engineer for USIA in Munich, returned Stateside for a well-deserved From friend LA6QB, NRRL (Norway) secretary: "LBSYB, formerly on Jan Mayen, from now on is at Myggbuktu, Greenland. . . . He has taken with him 16 pounds of [LBSYB] QSLs and hopes to manage to write them there. Concerning LATUE and Bjørnøya Island, LA6QB adds, "He didn't get the crystals he needed and therefore was not able to go on the air." However, watch for LA7UE activity from the island of Hopen (goes as Svalbard) in short order.....F8FW/FC (HB9LA, QSL via USKA) passed out Corsica QSOs on several bands in early August.

Hereabouts - FP8AA (K2CPR) worked approximately one hundred St. Pierre seekers during July, using 40 meters only, Jack, who has visited FP8-land each summer for several years now, finally hooked his first W7 and ZL from the place, St. Pierre authorities still welcome visiting U. S. hams . . . . VP7NM describes VP7SL as an interloper and cards received for him at the Bahamas QSL bureau cannot be delivered . .... "Since I was the last ham at Swan Island, and our government station has been deactivated and personnel removed, I am anxious to send cards to all who [deserve] them," writes ex-KS4AV-W4MXE. Swan should be a toughie from now on — check John's new address in "Where.".... The annual W9-DXCC new address in "Where.".....The annual W9-DXCC Club meeting will be held Saturday, Sept. 18th, at the Sheraton Hotel, Chicago. States meeting chairman W9FKC: Registration will start at 2:00 p.m. and a turkey dinner all be served at 6.30. Reservations can be mailed to W9s FKC FID GRV or ABA, and a payment of five dollars will cover everything." Act now so that arrangements can be facilitated—non-W9s also are welcome....... We regret to note in Silent Keys the passing of diligent DXer W2QKS, DXCC member with 236 confirmed.

# I.A.R.U. News

## JUNE CALENDAR

In the June Calendar of the International Amateur Radio Union is a brief summary of the first IARU Region I Conference, held at Lausanne, Switzerland, in May, 1953.

One of the recommendations of the conference led to a current proposal, by the Radio Society of Great Britain, that a three-digit RSM report be used in place of the present two-digit RS code for 'phone work. The third letter would stand for modulation quality and would comprise the following steps:

M-1 — unintelligible modulation.

M-2 — defective modulation due to spurious or parasitie oscillations or to causes unknown.

M-3 — defective modulation due to frequency modulation of the earrier.

M-4 — defective modulation due to overmodulation.

M-5 — good modulation, not exceeding 100%.

New regulations governing amateurs in Ecuador, Denmark, Britain, Argentina, Paraguay, and Austria are briefly described. For the most part, the changes were favorable and were the result of considerable effort on the part of national societies.

Mention is made of the excellent documentary "Kanaal 3700" which was published by the Vereniging voor Experimenteel Radio Onderzoek in Nederland, reporting on emergency communications activities in the Netherlands during the 1953 European floods.

Another current proposal is that of the Headquarters concerning reinstatement of the Japanese Amateur Radio League as a member-society of the Union.

## PHILIPPINES

Philippine amateurs are now permitted to communicate with amateurs in the USA, Formosa, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, France, Greece, India, Indonesia, Italy, Pakistan, Spain, Thailand, and Turkey. Further relaxation by the Magsaysay government of the restrictions is expected in the near future, the *Philippine Amateur Radio Association* reports.

## WAC BOUNDARY CHANGE

Socotra, an island about 150 miles off the eastern point of Africa, has been listed under the continent of Africa for the WAC award, while it has been counted as an Asian country for the WBE award. Since it is governed by the British Protectorate of Aden, on the southern coast of Arabia, at the request of the Radio Society of Great Britain a slight change in the continental boundary is being made to include Socotra as part of Asia. The boundary can then be described as "... Cape Guardafui just South of Socotra and straight on to 60° east, 12° north ..."

## OSL BUREAU CHANGES

The following changes and additions to the list of QSL Bureaus which appeared on page 59 of June QST have been reported.

Austria: OVSV, Kierlingerstrasse 10, Klosterneuberg India, Box 1, Munnar P. O., Travancore, S. India.

Japan: (KA) FEARL, APO 111, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California

OkinawaOARC, APO 331,  $e/\alpha$  Postmaster, San Francisco, California

Triesle: P. O. Box 301, Trieste, F.T.T.

## AUSTRIA

After long and diligent liaison work with government authorities, the Osterreichischer Versuchssenderverband has succeeded in getting the (Continued on page 112)

At a recent gathering in Australia, five prominent members of the South Australia Division of the Wireless Institute of Australia got together for this photo. From left to right are Ross Kelly, VK5AW, former council member; "Doe" Barbier, VK5MD, past president; Warwick Parsons, VK5PS, past president; Warwick Parsons, VK5AW, past president; and Gordon Bowen, VK5XI, president.





# Operating News



F. E. HANDY, WIBDI, Communications Mgr. R. L. WHITE, WIWPO, Asst. Comm. Mgr., C.W. PHIL SIMMONS, WIZDP, Communications Asst.

The Fall Season Opens. Good fall operating weather should be just around the corner as you receive this QST. Any remaining vacancies in the Transcontinental Corps (NTS) now should be rapidly filled. Preference will be given to first applicants in working out matching assignments, so don't delay writing if you have the experience and traffic interest. We would like to welcome additional appointment applications for Station and Leadership posts. Send these to appropriate SCMs, addresses on page 6, please. Stations newly sending code-practice schedules or with revised plans for operation in October and November should give us full data on these right now for future publication. It will be a big season with stepped-up DX activity, November Sweepstakes, all the usual plans. Emergency leaders to advance AREC and RACES will be needed on an expanded scale. See your SCM and SEC for details. Whatever your interest, get in the swim and enjoy amateur radio operating. Give the FMT (September 16th) a try if you can measure frequencies accurately. Ask for a copy of our booklet Operating an Amateur Radio Station for details on any appointive post.

Those Also Serve. M-D-DC SEC John Gore, W3PRL, currently is reporting to the National Emergency Coördinator on amateur work in connection with the Chestertown fireworks plant explosion. This devastated a large area and overloaded regular communications systems. In W3PRL's words, "The experience acquired through repetitive net drills in handling messages... proved the effectiveness of our nets when they automatically go into action and produce communications results such as demonstrated on this occasion. Practically every member stood by ready to handle any and all traffic, proving the effectiveness of training received in

regular operations.'

We are given to understand that certain amateurs attempted to ridicule operations in progress. However, net control appropriately established stations 5 kc. above and below the net operating frequency (3820 kc.) to monitor operations and assist participating low-power mobiles operating in the devastated area. Thanks are due all who refrained from any operations on or near the frequencies involved who were not in positions to give direct assistance.

Summary of the operational aspects will be reserved for next QST. The incident is touched on here especially (1) to emphasize that they also serve who stand by, observe circuit discipline

GEORGE HART, WINJM, Natl. Emerg. Coordinator ELLEN WHITE, WIYYM, Asst. Comm. Mgr., 'Phone LILLIAN M. SALTER, WIZJE, Administrative Aide

to assist organizational lines, and permit those organized and prepared to get their communications through; and (2) to point out that every amateur should in advance be registered or aligned with the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps, RACES and other emergency operating groups. We liken those who poke fun or deprecate constructive efforts by their kibitzing and off-side remarks, to casual citizens who, out of mere curiosity, rush unwanted into devastated areas, making it necessary to set up restrictions and policing to insure that organized relief efforts are effective.

It is true that not every emergency is a statewide or nation-wide calamity. But surely it does not speak well for any of us to pass hasty or illinformed judgments on those attempting to do

their duty in a spirit of public service.

Certified Code Speed. Do you know how fast you can copy? ARRL offers all amateurs official certification of their code receiving speeds. Do you have something on paper to prove your proficiency to those with raised eyebrows? ARRL's Code Proficiency Program provides a means to determine your receiving speed and get a certificate to prove it. The practice transmissions start at 9:30 p.m. EDST daily (through September 26th) and our full operating schedule as to bulletins, general operating periods and code practice is available. The WIAW schedule is sent free on request by radiogram or card.

Emergency Lessons in Operation Alert. Many communications groups participating in the June 14th–15th civil defense test informally agree that the values of periodic tests are high, permitting revision of plans, increased emphasis on procedure training, changes in deployment and practical arrangements. Midwest Clixs (July) refers to two specific and positive conclusions, as follows:

"(1) Amateurs participating in . . . RACES nets should be encouraged to participate in the regular amateur nets . . message handling (know-how) and a disciplined directed net operation is fundamentally the same whether a net is amateur, RACES or MARS. There is practice value

in correctly handling messages

(2) It was observed that the 10-ke. RACES provisions at the high and low ends of the 4-Mc. band are hardly adequate for civil defense communication throughout the country, especially when QRN is bad in the 160-meter and disaster bands. Use of v.h.f. links where possible . . . could solve part of the trouble and guard against . . . long skip. An illustration in two adjacent states: Many stations in State A, operating phone on 3.99 Mc. for c.d. gave up in the evening. They had planned on sending enough traffic to keep busy all night . . the combination of QRN and QRM was too much on 75. In State B, communications continued as long as required: they had been moved down to the low end of the band on c.w. . . . ."

Making best use of all the available facilities always pays off. Greater familiarity with traffic methods either by its regular appearance in radio tests, or through daily net operation as per the suggestion in the first numbered paragraph preceding, doubtless could have increased the showing of what was handled in State B. ARRL suggests that AREC and RACES groups also arrange to have blackboard talks and practice set-ups, inviting operators skilled especially in message handling work to assist the training program.

— F. E. H.

## PREVIEW - 1954 FIELD DAY

Listed below are high claimed scores for the 1954 ARRL Field Day of June 19th–20th. These are subject to checking and grouping according to the number of transmitters in simultaneous operation at each station.

#### CLASS A

(Listings show call used in FD, claimed score, and number of st nultaneously-coverated transmitters.)

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W2L1/2.	17.847-10	WØCET Ø	5364 - 4
W2GSA/2	16,899-10	W3NA/3	5331 - 5
W4FU/8	.14.355 - 7	W6MLI/6. W1BDI/1	.5319 - 6
W3PKV/3	12.202 - 4	WIBDI/I	.5274- 1
W6UW/6	11,874-10	WIWKN/1	5256 7
W9IT/9	11.241 - 9	W2GMM/1	5184- 6
K6BAG/6	11.055 - 6	K6AGF/6	5083 - 8
W2VDJ/2	10,717-6	W68Y/6	.5025- 9
W9PCS/9	10.584 - 6	W2DTU/2 W9PZT/9 K6FAV/6	.5013- 3
KEDTA /6	10.437 - 8	W9PZT/9	4986
W58C/5. W6UF/6	10.113-11	K6FAV/6	4782- 3
W6UF/6	10,044-10	WIVB/I	4761- 2
K6EM/6.	9369- 6	WIVB/I WIKXM/I	-4725 - 1
W3RCN/3	9342 - 8		4653- 2
W6MBA/6	9144-4	W2NOO/2	4644- 3
K2AA/2	9099- 4	W3P8G/3	4567- 4
K6EM/6 W3RCN/3 W6MBA/6 K2AA/2 W3BES/3 W1OC/1	9072 - 2	W2OW/2	4566- 3
WIOC/L.	.9009- 8	W5MUZ/5 W8MRM/8	4554 3
		WSMRM/S	4539-3
W6TOI/6	8550 - 8	W7HZ/7	4464- 3
W6OTX/6 VE3BRR/3	8292-8	W7HZ/7 W1SKT/1	4461-3
VE3BRR/3	7848- 9	W9BA/9	4428 - 5
W2FUS/2	7812-6	W9BA/9 W6PMK/6	4401- S
WIOMI/I	7668-4	W6MHM/6	4383 - 4
W4MK/4	7623 - 2	W4CN/4	. 4374- 3
VE3DC/3	7617- 9	W2ZO/2	4356-4
W8BWA/8	7524- 3	W6YK/6 W3CKJ/3	4344- 3
W2GTD/2	7092-4	W3CKI/3	4335- 2
W3SOB/3	6939 - 5	W4TRC/4	4324- 4
WØVMU/Ø	6905 - 2		
W6LS/6.	.6888- 8	WIGLA/1. W8ACW/8. W6BIP/6 W6NCL/6.	4275-6
WODA V /9	6976 4	WSACW/S	4266- 5
VE3ZM/3	6876- 6	W6BIP/6	.4263 - 8
VE3ZM/3 K6EBN/6	6828- 8	W6NCL/6	4257- 5
W2BVL/2	-6786 - 5	W9AB/9 W6KA/6 VE3BER/3	-4242 - 3
W2BVL/2 W2KOJ/2	6759- 5	W6KA/6	.4221- 5
VE3JJ/3	6738- 6	VE3BER/3	4212 - 5
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W3KT/3	6552 - 2	W9ERIT/9	4167- 2
W3KT/3 W6MGJ/6	6433- 5	W2DPQ/2 W2ODP/2	4164-5
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W7DK/7	5679 - 5	VE7AOL/7	4042 - 8
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V4ZJB/4	309	WIAW	140
W5YJ8/5	281	VE3DFM	130
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#### MEET THE SCMs

Carroll A. Currier, just completing a term as SCM of New Hampshire, received his license with his present call, W1GMH, in April, 1933, after a three-year interest in amateur radio.

WIGMH is located in a nicely-fitted shack in the basement. Equipment consists of a Viking II with a Viking VFO, a Collins 75A-1 receiver, and a BC-221 frequency checker. A large rig with a pair of 813s in the final, running 400 watts with 805 Class B modulators, is did at present but will be ready for operation again as soon as the final is rebuilt. A three-element rotary beam and center-fed antennas are used. Bands utilized are 10, 20, 75, and 80 meters.



SCM Currier holds OPS, OBS, RCC, OTC, WNH, NHEN, TCPN, WANE, WVT, DSDN, and Sea Gull Net certificates and several Public Service certificates for flood, fire, and hurricane emergency work. He enjoys traffic handling and has maintained membership in the League continuously since 1932. Cal was one of the charter members of the Manchester Radio Club, organized in 1939.

He has always been interested in fishing, football, and baseball games, along with Kodachrome photography. Previously employed by the local utility company in Manchester in the engineering department, he is now retired because of a heart condition.

## NATIONAL CALLING AND EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES

CW

PHONE

3550 ke. 14,050 ke. 7100 ke. 21,050 ke. 28,100 ke. 29,640 ke.

During periods of communications emergency these channels will be monitored for emergency traffic. At other times, these frequencies can be used as general calling frequencies to expedite general traffic movement between annateur stations. Emergency traffic has precedence, After contact has been made the frequency contact contact has been made the frequency and the cacalled immediately to accommodate other saliers.

callers. The following are the National Calling and Emergency Frequencies for Canada: c.u. 3535, 7050, 14,060; phone 3765, 14,160, 28,250 kc.

## NATIONAL RTTY CALLING AND WORKING FREQUENCIES

3620 kc. 7140 kc.

These frequencies are generally employed by amateurs using radioteletype throughout the United States.



It is pretty tough to suggest a solution to a hopeless situation. During a recent trip, we saw much evidence of stellar performance by amateurs in RACES, but once in a while we were confronted with RACES situations which had deteriorated to the extent that rescue appeared to be impossible.

There is little use in going into the history of performance resulting in such a mess, although in passing it might be said that in all cases it could have been avoided by proper implementation of the AREC long beforehand. If your civil defense officials are so completely alienated to amateur radio that they will have none of it, there is really little that can be done until or unless (1) they can be shown that they have an unwarranted impression, or (2) they are replaced by officials who do not feel that way. The principal value in trying to ascertain why they feel that way is to see that errors of the past, on the part of local amateurs, to make them feel that way are not repeated.

The headquarters has no panacea for all ills besetting amateurs in their AREC or RACES organizational efforts. For the past 19 years, we have been trying to organize amateur potential for emergency communication into a single strong facility through creation of a nation-wide organizational structure which has its life-giving roots necessarily at the local level. Our efforts have met all varying degrees of necess (and lack of it), depending on the resourcefulness leadership availabilities and inclinations of amateurs within their communities. These results are now coming home to roost. Where they have been most successful, AREC embraced and encompassed RACES. Where they have been partially successful, RACES has given the amateurs a "shot in the arm" so that where a loose AREC organization previously existe I, a loose or strong RACES organization now exists. And where AREC was nonexistent there is now no RACES organization, or one so shot-through with politics, commercialism or anti-amateur sentiment as to be useless for all practical purposes.

We don't wish to put ourselves in the illogical position of taking credit for the successes and disclaiming responsibility for the failures. We only wish to point out that, generally speaking, the success of the RACES venture so far is, and doubtless shall continue to be, in direct proportion to the success of AREC organization which preceded it—and that any degree of failure is not just the failure of headquarters, or of this group or that person, but the collective failure of all of us.

At 1730 MST, June 5th, W7s TAB NJU and W7TYG were engaged in a contact on 3935 ke, when a weak triple-break was heard, It was W7KUX7, operating portable on Low Air Strip, about S3 miles west of Salt Lake City, Utah, with emergency traffic for Salt Lake City, weather conditions and skip being such that S-lt Lake City stations were not readable at his location. TYG called "CQ Salt Lake City," but no luck, NJU then called a CQ for Salt Lake City and raised W7NVY/M who immediately put his home rig on the air, NJU thereafter asted as NCS and relay station, with NVY handling all further traffic into Salt Lake

City. The three Idaho stations relayed. W7ACD and W7IEY policed the frequency. It was explained that the situation, originally a field-day exercise, had suddenly become a real emergency, with one CAP aircraft, carrying a pilot and passenger, missing, W7QAF in Provo came on and relayed word to W7AHD to man the CAP station on 4507 ke. W7UMT in Bountiful offered e.w. linison. W7NVY remained in almost constant contact with the CAA in Salt Lake City and in radio contact with W7KUX/7 thru NJU, since direct contact was sporadic because of skip and QRN. The frequency was kept clear until 1915 when W7KUX established contact with the Provo CAP station on 4507 kc. and W7NVY declared the net free. A similar announcement from NJU, the NCS, ended the emergency. Stations involved in relay or assistance included W7s NVY KUX NJU TYG TAB QAF RDN UTM and TST, Traffic routed thus: W7KUX/7 to W7NJU to W7NVY and return.

WATEC

During a violent rainstorm in Milwaukee on June 9th, W9GER/M advised W9PD/M that he had found a cover off a manhole in the middle of the street. W9PD/M advised him to stay there while proper authorities were notified. W9GER then parked his car crosswise on the street to block the road until the cover was replaced, thus obviating the possibility of serious accidents occurring. — W3PD.

On June 10th starting about 1730, heavy rains of cloudburst proportions fell in Sidney, N. Y., causing severe damage to Unadilla and Sidney Center. Bridges and roads were washed out or made impassable by landslides. Sidney Center lost its water supply and many homes were damaged in both Unadilla and Sidney Center, W2RZP was in contact with W2QHL/M, W2GFD/M and K2CVX/M at various times between 1900 and 2100 hours on 29.6 Mc. W2QHL/M had experienced considerable difficulty with high water on the roads in proceeding from Otego to Sidney and returned to Opeonta by another route. He was out of range on 29.6 when W2RZP received a call at 2100 hours from the Town of Sidney C.D. Director to help furnish communications. W2JGJ/M was sent to Sidney Center, K2CVX/M was sent to Unadilla and W2GFD/M remained in Sidney as liaison with the c.d. director. The purpose was to keep contact between the town director, the town supervisor, the highway superintendent and crews of highway machinery and the c.d. rescue truck which furnished emergency lighting.

W2RZP acted as control and relay station as needed. W2UPT operated W2GFD/M after 2200. Operations continued until midnight when we were released by the town director who complimented us on our help. — W2RZP, EC Delaware Co., N. Y.

Members of the Des Momes Radio Amateur Association hardly had time to close their logbook on Field Day when a real emergency was washed right into their laps. After record June rains, the Des Moines River flooded through central lowa, causing mounting damage. On June 22nd, amateurs in the Des Moines area were summoned to a "get ready" meeting at the city police station. Both mobile-and fixed-station operators showed up to volunteer their services. The meeting was called for 8 r.m., and because of the increasing danger to the city from the river, some of the mobiles were being dispatched to trouble spots by 8:30 r.m. Originally, city officials hadn't expected to need the hams before the night of June 23rd.

Under W@SVD, Emergency Coordinator for Des Moines, and W@NTA of the Des Moines police department, a net control station was set up on the third floor of the municipal



This is the mobile radio unit of the Fort Hale Mobile Radio Club of New Haven, Conn. It is completely equipped for emergency and civil defense use. Several transmitters and receivers are included for operation on most amateur bands. The amateurs in the picture are WIYTY, WNIYUX, WNIZIU, WIOEB (3rd from right) and WNIZYT (at extreme right). Others are civil defense officials and aides.

## A.R.R.L. ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Sept. 5th: CP Qualifying Run — W60WP Sept. 15th: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW Sept. 16th: Frequency Measuring Test Sept. 18th-19th: Y.H.F. QSO Party Oct. 8th: CP Qualifying Run — W60WP Oct. 9th-10th: Simulated Emergency Test Oct. 12th: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW Oct. 15th-17th: CD QSO Party (c.w.) Oct. 23rd-24th: CD QSO Party ('phone) Nov. 6th: CP Qualifying Run — W60WP Nov. 13th-14th, 20th-21st: Sweepstakes Nov. 17th: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW Dec. 5th: CP Qualifying Run — W60WP Dec. 16th: CP Qualifying Run — W60WP

police station building. The station, K@FDB, operated on 29.6 Mc., as did all the mobiles.

For 51 hours K@FDB was on the air continously, handling emergency flood traffic. During that time, 22 mobiles were on the air for long periods and more than 20 other amateurs worked at FDB, traveled as second ops with mobiles or performed other services. The first night each of the mobiles had a Civil Defense auxiliary policeman along. The mobiles were directed to danger spots along the river — bridges, low-lying main streets, dikes — with orders to stay at the mikes while the c.d. men patrolled. Information from the c.d. men was relayed to K@FDB by the mobiles; then K@FDB would call the city's central flood control headquarters by landline as needed.

On June 23rd, which turned out to be most crucial, many of the mobiles were more or less on their own at trouble spots, acting as ears and voices for flood workers. When a crew yelled for sandbags, the mobile relayed the word to net control which called flood control—and the sandbags of there in a hurry! Other mobiles, on June 23rd and 24th, were links in a bigger radio chain. Naval Reserve personnel with hand-carried portables patrolled a four-block section of dike that threatened to give way and flood a big, low-lying area. The navy NCS was stationed at the side of a ham mobile rig, so word of any dike trouble (and there was plenty) could be passed along instantly.

The erest came early Friday morning, not long after flood control officials gave the word that the major danger was past and that the amateur net could shut down. The amateurs went home at 0030 on June 25th for some muchneeded sleep, but remnined on a stand-by basis.

Praise for the amateurs came in letters of thanks from the city manager and chief of police, who pointed out that the amateur net had provided speedy communications while at the same time taking a major burden off police telephone facilities. One local newspaper called the amateur control station "a nerve center in the gigantic flood-control machine"

Mobile station operators, some of whom worked both days and nights, grabbing only a couple of hours' sleep when they could, included: W\$s EHH DDW LJF FSG ETU HIB LRY PRF GBB BSK OLY IQS QNO BBE MYQ AUL IUM HOU NWX NUC WML BSG NOS. Some of these, notably W\$\theta LH AUL AUL WMX, went to some trouble to install mobiles especially for this work. W\$\theta HKN and W\$\theta DFH assisted in the W\$\theta AUL mobile installation and W\$\theta DFH assisted in the W\$\theta AUL mobile installation and W\$\theta DFH later helped operate it.

Operation of the net control station was done by W#s SVD NTA HOC FQW EKA WSJ PKH HUY LMM WCH UOI DSL and WN#PKW.

W@PZO worked on 75 meters rounding up further possible out-of-town help, and W@CQU served as a car-borne refreshment man for mobile operators on the job.

Speaking of RACES, one of the FCC staff in Washington recently exuded quite a bit of enthusiasm for the vigor and enthusiasm with which the annateurs in one state were pursuing the RACES program. Which state? Connecticut! Under the able guidance, not to mention the prodding and ramrodding, of State Radio Officer WILKF, Connecticut! had at that time received, in addition to an approved state RACES plan and thirteen station authorizations, twentyfive approved local communications plans and 37 station authorizations at local level. By the time you read this, the above figures will be weefully inaccurate, since additional applications are being processed all the time. W1LKF's gnumick? A fill-in application form, sent to the civil defense director of every town, to make the red tape of application less difficult, and easier to understand.

For May, 1954, we received 10 SEC reports (same as last year), representing 2209 AREC members (fewer than last year), One new section is represented, the Maryland-Del.-D. C. section, making our total for the year twenty-two (one more than last year, three fewer than 1952). Sixty-six SEC reports have been received through May of this year, a nominal increase of two over this time last year. So we're still just holding our own.

## FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST, SEPTEMBER 16TH

All amateurs are invited to try their hand at frequency measuring. W.1AW will transmit signals for the purpose of frequency measurement starting at 9.30 r M. EDST (6.30 r.M. PDST). Thursday, September 16th. The signals will consist of dashes interspersed with station identification. These will follow a general message sent to help listeners to locate the signals before the measurement transmission starts. The approximate frequencies used will be 3538, 7035 and 14,130 kc. About 4½ minutes will be allowed for measuring each frequency, with long dashes for measurement starting about 9.36 r.M. It is suggested that frequencies be measured in the order listed. Transmissions will be found within 5 or 10 kc, of the suggested frequencies.

At 12:30 a.m. EDST, September 17th (9:30 p.m. PDST, September 16th), W1AW will transmit a second series of signals for the Frequency Measuring Test. Approximate frequencies used will be 3760, 7095 and 14,096 kc.

Individual reports on results will be sent to all amateurs who take part and submit entries. When the average accuracy reported shows error of less than 71.43 parts per million, or falls between 71.43 and 337.15 parts per million, participants will become eligible for appointment by SCMs as Clays Lo. Clays II. Observatoried.

as Class I or Class II OOs respectively.

This ARRL Frequency Measuring Test will be used to aid quadinection of ARRL members as Class I and Class II observers. Present observers not demonstrating the requisite average accuracy will be reclassified appropriately until they demonstrate the above-stated minimum required accuracy. Class I and Class II OOs must participate in at least two FMTs each year to hold appointments. SCMs (see listing, page 6) invite applications for Class III and IV observer posts, good receiving equipment being the main requirement, All observers must make use of the cooperative notices (mail forms provided by ARRL) reporting activity monthly through SCMs, to warrant continued holding of appointment.

Any amateur may submit measurements on one or all frequencies listed above. No entry consisting of a single measurement will be eligible for QST listing of top results; at least two readings should be submitted to warrant QST mention. Listing will be based on over-all average accuracy, as compared with readings made by a professional frequency-measuring lab.

## TRAINING-AID NOTE

Affiliated-club instructors find ARRL training aids of great benefit in both code and theory education. Thirty technical films, thirteen filmstrips, ten quizzes and codetraining equipment all prove to be of real help in radio amateur license preparation. The demand is always brisk, so affiliated-club officers are requested to anticipate such needs and make the necessary arrangements early. Further information is available from the Communications Dept.

## QUIZ QUOTES

RARL training-aid quizzes cover a multitude of topies:
Operating Procedures, DX, Traffie, ARRL Organization,
FCC Regulations, Public Relations, Technical, TVI, The
Novice, etc. The Levittown Annateur Radio Club (via
W2RDK) finds them of high educational entertainment
value, "The quizzes are very popular, indeed. We often have
a little prize for the guy with the best score, and gend out
word in advance that the quiz is going to be held, although
we don't tell what the subject is. We almost always have
the place packed on such nights!"

## INDIANA 'PHONE NET

Efficient enjoyable net operation is the goal for Indiana Fone-Netters, a goal easier to attain due to the new edition of the Indiana Fone Net Directory, W9NTA, IFN Manager and PAM of Indiana, recently forwarded a copy of this booklet which helps expedite traffic throughout th State. The directory includes suggestions for efficient net operation which are well worth repeating:

Some stations make excessive use of call letters. When handling traffic identify yourself at the start; then

use "break for check" or "roger, go ahead." [NCS] insist on correct form for messages. They should be short. Informals should also be kept as short as

. Much repeating of messages is often unnecessary. Suit your transmission to the present condition of the band. Take frequent breaks to see if you are being received.

. . Courtesy is always in order

## TRAFFIC TOPICS

Every summer about this time, we get those net registration blues. This column, each September, carries the annual call for net re-registration. Your net, if it has not been registered since August 1, 1954, now is listed behind a tab in the net directory card file marked "Inactive Nets." The only way to rescue it from that kind of oblivion is to re-register. IT'S NET REGISTRATION TIME, OM!

There are two kinds of registration: minimum registration and complete registration. The minimum consists of those elements without all of which we will not register the net at all - Name of Net, its Frequency and its Time and Days of operation. We would like, however, to have complete registration of all nets, and that would include the following items: (1) name of net; (2) net designation, if any (e.g., MTN for Mission Trail Net, TEN for Tenth Regional Net, etc.); (3) frequency or frequencies; (4) day or days of operation; (5) call letters of the net manager; (6) time the net starts and time it ends - be sure to indicate which time zone; (7) direct coverage of the net - that is, by stations who actually report into the net, not by out-of-net relays or liaisons; (8) purpose of the net—one word will suffice (e.g., traffic, emergency, rag-chew, etc.); (9) date the net will commence or did commence operation, if not continuous; (10) list of net control stations; (11) whether or not the net is affiliated with NTS by reporting into the appropriate NTS regional net; (12) other nets with which the net has regular liaison, if not in NTS; (13) call letters of the person submitting the information.

All this is contained on a small tan card which we will make available to anyone upon request. One of the cards will be sent out with each LO Bulletin in September, and one with each CD Bulletin in October. In mid-November, we send out form reminder cards to listed managers of all nets registered last season who have not re-registered. By December 1st we should be "closing the books" on the net directory, which should be in circulation by December 15th (but sometimes production delays make it later than this) Registrations received after the net directory goes into print are included in supplementary QST lists.

An initial list of registered nets will appear in November

QST, to be followed by supplementary and corrective lists in January, March and May QSTs. The March and May supplements can also be used to correct the cross-indexed

Nets are registered only upon request, upon receipt of information specifically for that purpose. The little net registration cards are convenient for that purpose, but not required. Sorry, we cannot go through miscellaneous reports, correspondence or copy for net registration data.

In closing this little epistle, let us plead once again for a little dignity in choosing a net name, even if the net has something else it uses as a nickname. These net lists are of great interest to several government agencies, and are often used by them, but it's a little hard for them to take us seriously when we bend over so far to be facetious that we succeed only in making ourselves ridiculous. Look down the list and you'll see what we mean.

NETS NOT RE-REGISTERED SINCE AUGUST ARE MARKED "INACTIVE. ....

Someone has strongly suggested that we clarify the situation as to counting MARS traffic. Okay, let's do it.

As the MARS representative at the Oregon State Convention said, when you're operating in MARS you're not operating as an amateur. Therefore, the traffic you handle not creditable toward your amateur or BPL traffic total. If you bear that basic fact in mind, the counting method becomes simple - you count each message only every time is handled on amateur frequencies. If you receive it on MARS and relay it by amateur radio, it counts only one "relayed." If you receive it by amateur radio and relay it by MARS, it counts only one "received." If you receive it on MARS and deliver it, you get no amateur count. Simple, eh? Of course if you handle it entirely on MARS your amateur count is zero.

How about overseas MARS refiles? The MARS policy has been (see page 130, June 1953 QST) that "third-party messages originating at overseas MARS stations will be reoriginated as amateur messages by the U.S. MARS station introducing them into the amateur bands." message, received from the overseas point on a MARS frequency in MARS form, is converted to something approaching amateur form by being given a new number by the refiling station (his number), his call as the originating staion, a proper amateur "check," but retains the original filing time and date. The place of origin uses the name of the country followed by the words "via MARS." The question is, when such a message is thus refiled and transmitted on an amateur circuit, does it then count as one "originated" or as one "relayed"?

We think it should be one "originated." We say "think " because the whole procedure is irregular so far as amateur form is concerned; but having reached the amateur station by means other than amateur radio, and bearing the number and call of the transmitting station as the originating station, it is more of an "originated" message than a "relayed" message, even though it contains the original date and filing time, and does not indicate the place of amateur origin. So let's count 'em as "originated."

Miscellaneous net reports: Second Regional 'Phone Net — March, 471; April, 526; May, 565. Interstate 'Phone Net — March, 470; April, 380; May, 529. Early Bird Net for June, 519.

National Traffic System. While true that the NTS structure calls for local nets at section level, it is also true that combining the traffic men of two or more sections into a single net operating at section level is not only perfectly but often very feasible in areas where traffic permissible. activity within a single section will not support a section net. Such combinations have already been effected with good success in New York, New Jersey and California (Bay Area). Where there is a shortage of traffic men, other sections might do well to put similar "mergers" into effect. Of course we would like to see each section have its own, full-fledged, heavily-patronized section traffic net, but the combination idea is much better than not having that section covered by NTS at all.

At a get-together in Manhattan, Kansas, on May 9, 1954, WØFEO snapped this photo of the QKS/QKS SS gang. Shown in the picture, L to r.; WØS NIY MLG BLI CWG YEF ICV SVE PAH GCH MVG NFX FDJ WGM BAH MUY KFW KFS LQX LQX's OM and EOT. WØS FEO and QVO, also present, are not in picture.



June reports.

Net	Ses-	W. ar	Rate	Arer-	Repre- sentation
Net	stons	Traffic	Kale	age	sentation
IRN	22	306	0.38	13.9	85.7%
2RN	22	119	0.43	5.4	97.0%
3RN	22	135	0.56	6.1	90.9%
4RN	32	122	0.13	4.0	58.1%
RN5	20	121		6.0	36.9%
RN7	51	307		6.0	
8RN	15	77		5.1	77 8%
9RN	25	543		21.7	
TEN	70	1821		26.0	52.2%
TRN	23	47	0.47	2.0	46.4%
EAN	22	495		22.5	97 7%
PAN	19	439	0.41	23 0	81 6%
CN (Conn.)	26	256	0.42	9.4	
Tenn. (Hi-Speed)	19	90	0.67	4.7	
WVN (W. Va)	17	105	0.23	6.1	
WSN (Wash.)	43	204		4.9	
QKS (Kans.)	21	174		8.3	
AENP (Ala.)	28	229	0.18	8.0	
AENB (Ala.)	25	56	0.22	2.2	
LSN (Los A.)	26	123		4.7	
Summary	548	5779	Tenn.	10.5	EAN
Record	548	8183		15.9	
Late reports:					
4RN (May)	42	273		6.5	48.6%
RN5 (May)	33	331		10.0	51 5%
Cn (Conn.) (May)	25	292	0.71	11.4	
Minn. 'Phone					
(May)	55	397		7 2	

Seems to us it ought to be possible to get net reports in by copy time - but we realize how it is in the summertime. We'll try to continue the "late reports" column as above, but if it gets too long we'll have to stop listing it. Copy time is the lifteenth of the month, net managers. Section nets send your net reports to your SCM, but in order to meet the deadline for "Traffic Topics," send a copy direct to headsend a copy direct to headquarters. The deadline for SCM reports is slightly later.

QRN has been especially rough this summer, and it has taken its toll of net attendance and efficiency. The above data do not represent NTS at its best, but considering the time of year we are doing quite well. Contrary to usual custom, IRN is finding it possible to continue on a five-nightsreek one-session basis this summer, W2LPJ is keeping 2RN active during the warm weather, despite temporary losses of some of his best men. Moving away from 3615 to escape RTTY QRM, 4RN's new frequency is 3547 kc. W5KRX is finding the summer QRN rough to contend with in RN5; the net is operating on Monday, Wednesday and Friday only for the time being. RN7 certificates have been issued to W7APS, W7PRA, VE7ASR and VE7TF; QNI is needed from Wyo., Alta., Sask. and Alaska, W8DSX has been doing some corresponding in an effort to revive 8RN, and results are good so far. The new 9RN is going strong; a certificate has been issued to W9VBZ. Ontario is the only regular section now reporting into TRN; Quebec is irregular and the Maritimes nil.

W8DQG is a newcomer to the Transcontinental Corps. taking on the Wednesday A and C chores recently vacated W8FYO. W4ZFV is back with us for the summer. WIUNG is also in the process of accepting an assignment in Eastern Area TCC. We acknowledge June TCC reports from W1AW, W1EMG, W3COK, W4KRR, W6IPW and WØRTA. If we had more reports, we could figure out what percentage of TCC functions are actually performing (i.e., percentage of T.C. Functions are actually performing (i.e., not just on paper). The complete roster as of this writing (July 21st); W18 AW EMG NJM, K2FB, W3COK, W4s KRR AGC ZFV, W5KRX, W6s EFD 1PW JZ KPQ LDR QPY UTV WOC, K6B1F, W7TGU, W8s DQG D8X (SG) RLR YCP, W9s JUJ RXD UNJ, W8s IC KQD (RTA) SCA ZJO, VE3s EAM GITM. We haven't heard from many of these for some time and need word as to the status of their assignments. Anyone else interested in the Transcon-tinental Corps of NTS? We need good c.w. men who can pack a good wallop, preferably experienced in traffic workbut if you know your c.w., it shouldn't take long to pick up traffic preficiency. How about doing your bit toward a na-tion-wide traffic service one night a week! Write to WINJM at headquarters for details.

## COLLEGE NET EXPANDING

The College Net is supported by college students with the purpose of advancing interscholastic good will via amateur radio. The net started as a meeting of several college stations on a preset frequency for roundtables, occasionally handing a few messages. After about five years of operation net enrollment increased from four to forty colleges. By the end of the '53-'54 academic year participation more than doubled to over 85 colleges and universities and 15 other scholastic institutions

As listed in the current ARRL Net Directory, the College Net operates two sessions, both on 3895 ke.; on Thursdays at 1600 purely for traffic; and on Fridays at 1515 for both traffic and roundtable.

Anyone interested can obtain more information by dropping a line or sending a radiogram to Roger Salaman, W1UDF, via W2SZ, Hunt II, Room 23, Rensselaer Poly-technic Institute, Troy, New York.

## **BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE**

Winners of BPL Certificates for June traffic:

Call	Orig.	Recd	Rel	Del.	Total
W3CUL	272	3211	2532	621	6636
KA2FC	1579	1457	1124	344	4504
KØAIR	34	1529	1484	44	3091
K4WAR	228	1281	1177	104	2790
Waltul				78	2268
K6FDG	.13	1149	1028	51	2034
W3W1Q	73	58586	909	84	2022
W7BA		896	969		
	18	837	804	27	1686
WOBDR	9	818	799	10	1636
KOFAU	228	6196	660	36	1620
KL7AIR	23	754	706	48	1531
KA3AC	752	50	683	17	1502
K6FAE	. 5	725	715	15	1460
W3PZW	.11	685	619	66	1381
WØSCA	4	664	600	56	1324
KA78L	265	501	351	150	1267
KØWBN	×3	681	401	50	1215
KASAB	1036	77	4.4	33	1190
W6SWP	47	550	465	78	1140
K7FDB	15	0	1101	6	1122
WSRJC	3	519	472	4.6	1040
W6ELQ.	*	489	488	25	1010
KA2HQ.	1.5458	409	295	91	994
W9DO.	6	473	101	378	958
W2KFV_	Tie.	447	431	16	899
W9NZZ	282	306	3	303	894
KH6USA	50	319	420	48	837
K6FCY.	151	235	381	15	782
WEPHT	23	374	310	71	778
KA4DR.	131	311	270	-6.1	753
K6FCT	4.5	405	256	3.4	740
K5FGI	10	362	335	27	734
W2JOA	27	350	289	6101	726
WØCPI	6	3.58	300	4.50	722
WØGAR	5	354	356	.36	718
KA2GE.	202	252	223	37	714
W7SFK	4	349	348	1	702
WØBLI	18	344	317	3.59	698
W6REF.	10	338	330	9	687
W6GJP	3	343	242	5865	684
KOFAM	42	315	277	38	672
KØWBB	59	323	317	6	655
W2KEB	38	286	175	109	608
WORTA	4.1	287	258	22	608
W61ZG	23	276	251	25	575
K2CQP	25	260	225	25	535
W6QMO	4.3	242	176	59	520
WOTT	16	244	247	13	520
WOOXO.	10	252	205	47	514
KA2AK	318	1863	77	19	510
WSFYO	5	252	INN	6.1	506
W3WBP.	142	112	170	72	
WOWNING.	132	112	8.615	6.4	505
Late Rep	orts:				
KA2FC /M	av) 1735	1677	1477	187	5076
KASAB (M		1006	973	33	3069
KASAB (A)		416	398	18	1269
KA7RC (A)	pr.) 115	489	466	13	1083
KL7AF (M	By) 24	471	455	FO.	960
KA7RC (M		396	380	10	932
WSZGT (M		378	382	7	880
K5FGI (M:	037 113	250	228	31	544
W7KT (Ma	(V) 2	278	253	7	540
MARKE (MI	2	268	600		2540

BPL for 100 or more originations-plus deliveries 149 142 128 125 121 108 107 106 105 K6KVB W6USY VO6N WØSWB 104 W2RUF 103

WØNTY W3WV W2JZX VE3NG VE7ALL W4TUO Late Reports: K4WBG W4VKE W8RO K9FBD (May) 128 KH6FAA (May) 128

The BPL is open to all amateurs who report to their SCM a message total of 500 or more, or 100 or more originations plus-feliveries for any calendar month. All messages must be handled on amateur frequencies, within 48 hours of receipt. in stan hard ARRL form

## WIAW OPERATING SCHEDULE

(Effective September 26, 1954)

(All times given are Eastern Standard Time)

WIAW will return to its Fall-Winter operating schedule with the return to Standard Time. General operation covers all amateur bands on which WIAW has equipment. Novice periods include both early and late operation on 3.5 and 7 Mc. (see Footnote 2 in box). Master schedules showing complete WIAW operation in EST, CST or PST will be sent to anyone on request.

Operating-Visiting Hours:

Monday through Friday: 1500-0360 (following day).

Saturday: 1900-0230 (Sunday)

Sunday: 1500-2230.

General Operation: Use the chart below for determining times during which W1AW engages in general operation on various frequencies, 'phone and c.w. Note that since the schedule is organized in EST, certain morning operating periods may fall on the evening of the previous days in western time zones. WIAW will participate in all official ARRL operating activities, using scheduled general operating periods for this nurnose if necessary

Official ARRL Bulletin Schedule: Bulletins containing latest information on matters of general amateur interest are transmitted on regular schedules:

Frequencies (kc.): C.w.: 1885, 3555, 7125, 14,100, 21,020, 52,000, 145,600.

Phone: 1885, 3950, 7255, 14,280, 21,350, 52,000, 145,600. Frequencies may vary slightly from round figures given; they are to assist in finding the WIAW signal, not for exact

calibration purposes

Sunday through Friday: 2000 by c.w., 2100 by 'phone.

Monday through Saturday: 2330 by 'phone, 2400 by c.w Code Proficiency Program: Practice transmissions are made on the above listed c.w. frequencies, starting at 2130 daily. Speeds are 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 w.p.m. on Monday. Wednesday and Friday, and 5, 7½, 10 and 13 w.p.m. on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Approximately ten minutes of practice is given at each speed. Exception: On October 12th WIAW will transmit an ARRL Code Proficiency Qualifying Run instead of the regular code practice.

## CODE-PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

Twice each month special transmissions are made to enable you to qualify for the ARRL Code Proficiency Certificate. The next qualifying run from WIAW will be made on September 13th at 2130 Eastern Daylight Saving Time. Identical texts will be sent simultaneously by automatic transmitters on 1885, 3555, 7125, 14,100, 21,020, 52,000 and 145,600 ke. The next qualifying run from WeOWP only will be transmitted on September 5th at 2100 PDST on 3590 and 7138 ke

Any person may apply; neither ARRL membership nor an amateur license is required. Send copies of all qualifying runs to ARRL for grading, stating the call of the station you opied. If you qualify at one of the six speeds transmitted, 10 through 35 w.p.m., you will receive a certificate. If your initial qualification is for a speed below 35 w.p.m., you may try later for endorsement stickers

Code-practice transmissions will be made from W1AW each evening at 2130 EDST. Speeds are 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 w.p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and 5, 7½, 10 and 13 w.p.m. on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. References to texts used on several of the transmissions are given below. These make it possible to check your copy. For practice purposes the order of words in each line of QST text sometimes is reversed.

Date Subject of Practice Text from July QST

Sept. 2nd: DX pedition to Clipperton, p. 10

Sept. 7th: Make Your Own Potted Circuits, p. 16

Sept. 10th: 813s in a High-Power Linear, p. 20 Sept. 15th: Single-Ended Multiband Tuners, p. 23

Sept. 21st. Multiband Tuning Circuits, p. 25

Sept. 24th: Invading Never-Never Land, p. 30 Sept. 27th: Some Principles of Radiotelephony, p. 34

Sept. 30th: Communications in Civil Defense, p. 55

## WIAW OPERATING NOTE

The ARRL Headquarters station will remain on Summer Schedule (see page 77, July QST and chart on page 79, May QST) through September 25, 1954, at which time the new Fall-Winter schedule detailed elsewhere on this page goes into effect. Note that W1AW will be closed from 2230 EDST Sept. 5th until 1300 EDST Sept. 7th (Labor Day holiday), and also that instead of the regular code practice WIAW will transmit a code-proficiency qualifying run on September 13th and a frequency measuring test on Septemher 16th

#### BRIEF

The following item, believed to be a tip on operating procedure, comes from the Egyptian Radio Club's Podunk

Advice to the amateurs: In promulgating your esoteric cogitations or articulating your superficial sentimentalities and amicable philosophical observations over the air, beware of platitudinous ponderosity. Let your conversational communications possess a clarified conciseness, coalescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency. Eschew all con-glomerations of latulent garrulity, jejune babblement, as: nine affectations. Let your extemporaneous descantings and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility and vora cious vivacity without rodemontade or phrasical bombast. Sedulously avoid all polysyllabic profundity, psittaceous vacuity, ventriloquent vapidity. Shun double-entendres, prurient jocosity and pestiferous profanity."

We understand that English translations are available for a moderate fee from Podunk News Editor W#DZG.

## WIAW GENERAL-CONTACT SCHEDULE (Effective September 26, 1954)

W1AW welcomes calls from any amateur station. Starting September 26th, W1AW will listen for calls in accordance with the following time-frequency chart.

EST	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
0020-01001			$3555^{2}$		3555 -	$7125^{2}$	
0100-0200			3950	7255	3555	7125	3950
0200-0300			7255	3950	7125	3950	7255
1500-1600			14,280	21/28 Me.3	14,100		
1600-1700		14,280	21/28 Mc.3	14,100	$21/28 \ { m Mc}^3$	21,350	
1700-1800		14,100	14,280	21,020	14,280	14,100	
1930-2000		7255		7125		7255	
2020-2100		7125	3555	$7125^{2}$	$3555^{2}$	7125	
2110-21301		3950	52 Mc.	145.6 Mc.	3950	3950	
2230-2330		3555	3950	7125	1885	3555	
$2340 - 2400^{1}$		3950	1885	3955	1885	3950	

<sup>1</sup> General-contact period on stated frequency begins immediately following transmission of Official Bulletin which begins at 0000 and 2000 on c.w. and at 2100 and 2330 on 'phone. Starting time is approximate.

<sup>2</sup> W1AW will listen for Novices (on Novice band indicated) before looking over the band for other contacts

<sup>3</sup> Operation will be conducted on one of the following frequencies: 21,020; 21,350; 28,060; 28,768 kc.

· All operating amateurs are invited to report to the SCM on the first of each month, covering station activities for the preceding month. Radio Club news is also desired by SCMs for inclusion in these columns. The addresses of all SCMs will be found on page 6.

## ATLANTIC DIVISION

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EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA — SCM. W. H. Wiand, W3BIP — SEC: IGW. RM: AXA. PAM: PYF. E. Pa. Nets: 3610, 3850 kc. The Delaware Valley Council of Radio Clubs, now 17 clubs strong, continues to extend an invitation to all clubs in the section to have a representative attend council meetings once a month. Come out and know what problems are being discussed. Your club abso may have a say in events. Send your representative to the monthly meetings held in the Cassidy School, Atwood Road & Lansdowne Ave., West Philadelphia, the last Mon. of each month at 8 p.m. With summer about over and the fall raffic season just beginning, all ORS should be looking forward to a bigger and better E. Pa. Net. Let's shoot for the largest gathering of old-timers and newcomers in the history of the net. Conditions will be considerably better this season, according to predictions, and will add to your operation. Por he phone man, we have PFN on 350 kc. Report in and join in the fun of handing traffic by voice. There are many OPS appointments open. Contact PYF if interested. The Swarthmore High School ARC, under the leadership of SI.V. a faculty member and trustee of YBN, the club call, is interested in making skeeds with other high school clubs. Present membership includes TPQ, pres.; TEE, YEK, and YEV, as well as WNS YEU, YRD, and YSZ. The Delco RC elected the following officers: WNC, pres.; WN3XAJ, vice-pres.; AJS, seey.; WQP, treas. A newly-organized club known as the North Penn ARC started out with a bang, igning up 40 charter members. Officers are OKX, pres.; EGT, vice-pres.; PML, seey.; NDJ, treas. Twelve clubs reported Field Day activity averaging 15 members per club and so the control of the DX Club, noved to W1-Land in Rockledge, S. C. Ilis office was filled by GHS. XYI. VLX, operating all bands both c.w. and 'phone, using a Viking II and an NC 183-I with a three-element beam on 15 meters, keeps in touch with the OM, UKY, who is in the maritime service, and also handles traffic for other MM stations. Traffic W3 UL 66

32 TEJ 28, VLN 27, PVY 17, EAN 12, ELL 8.

MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA — SCM, Arthur W. Plummer, W3EQK — AVL is now EC for St. Mary's County, Md. Your SCM would propreciate it greatly if you appointees would keep a cheek on the expiration dates and send your certificates in for on-forsement. MEJ reports he, MCG, and KDP were fortunate in working FO8AJ. The Delaware Amateur Radio Club of Wilmington has installed the following new officers: KET, pres.; HGA, vice-pres.; WBZ, seey.; and TXY, treas. NPQ had a swell vacation down on the farm in North Carolina at the base of Mt. Mitchell. PRL and RRQ are sporting new Mercuries with new Elmae installations. CQS has a new job in the Radio Activity Section of National Bureau of Standards. JE reports the wind took his 75-meter antenna away. WBP, control center for the State C.D. operated by JE, handled 104 messages during the nation-wide c.d. drill. Operators on duty were JCL, BH, NKY, IFW, THM, NPL, RUN, and JE. They covered the entire State of Maryland and JE says members of the MEPN white JE, IFW, BH, and NKY also handled 51 messages for service personnel throughout the world which were transmitted to WBP by 10-meter mobile units located at the larve shopping centers in and near Baltimore on June 17th, EQK and NNX were at Northwood Shopping Center LAS at Towson, FMG at Dundalk, QLG at Essex, JCL and his XYL Shirley, QBG, at Edmondson Village, LMC and SSF at Charing Cross Shopping Center, and research and receiver and Sex and Charing Cross Shopping Center, JL, with Woodmoor Shopping Center, on June 11th, THM, FU V, JCL, PRL, SSK, and EQR set up a transmitter and receiver MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUM-

on the 18th floor of the Mathieson Building in Governor Mc Keldin's office, and at 5:00 p.m. on 3820 ke. Governor Mc Keldin's office, and the set of 3PSG/3 in the presence of the above, Mr. Cohen, Field Engineer in Charge of the Baltimore Office, FCC, and TV cameramen from WMAR-TV, and transmitted a message to the governors of the other 47 creceived the message which was relayed to JE, who was operating WBP at the time, and immediately placed on MARS and ARRL nest for delivery to the governors. The DARC held its Field Day activities on the County Work Farm. The Aero Amateur Radio Club, of 1215 Wilson Point Road, Baltimore 21, Md., with the call PGA, recently completed a vode class under the guidance of KLA. Six of the ten members are now listed as WN3YQD, WN3YSA, WN3YYR, WN3YYS, WN3YZJ, and WN3ZAQ, YQD, YVR, and ZAQ are to be found currently on 15-meter e.w. YSA and YZJ are on So-meter c.w. and YVS is plugging along with YQD on some 2-meter gear. PGA has blossomed out with twelve elements on 2 meters with a converted 522 pumping the juice. The club is looking for calls any Wed. between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m. EDST. Club meetings for the PGA gang are held each Wed, at 8:00 p.m. When you fellows read this, PZW will be in Alaska. ONB is finally back on 40 meters. WKB now checks in to the Frederick County 2-meter net. OYX checks in to MEPN, PRVNOGCN, and AN. Sam also reports CIQ and RAH made 68 contacts in 7 sections June 5th during the V.H. F. Party. The ARA was very active during the c.d. alert with YRK/3 on 10 meters with emergency power working crossband to 75 meters from C.D. Hq. CKJ was control on 75 working crossband to 10 meters. There were four mobiles on 10, no on 75, and 3 fixed stations on 75 meters. Plane-to-ground communication was established at Hq. on C.A.P, frequency with portable equipment. Taking part were OYX, RAH, OXL, CIQ, YRK/3, CSX/m. TIV/m. OAY/m. VAM/m. EHA/m. CKJ, WWM, SCC, SGPD, WN3WTO, LUL's jr. operator low made the proper service of the made of the produce of the produce of the produce of

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WESTERN NEW YORK — SCM, Edward G, Graf,
W2SJV — Asst. SCM, Jeanne Walker, 2BTB, SEC:
UTH/FRL, RM, RUF, PAMS, GSS, NAI, NYS meets on
3615 ke, at 6-30 p.m., 3925 ke, at 7 p.m.; NYS on 3595 ke,
at 7 p.m. Mon., Tues., Wed., and Fri., at 4-30 p.m. on Sat.,
NYS CD, on 3599,5 and 3993 ke, at 9 a.m. Sun, AHR,
FCC District Engineer in Charge, addressed RAWNY on
"TVI and what to do about it." The Wayne County 2 meter
net meets on 146.9 Mc, each Thur, at 9 p.m. K2DFT was

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

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Section Nets: ILN, 3515-ke, c.w. RM: BUK; Asst.: MRQ. Phone IEN, 3940 ke, PAM: UQT, EC: HOA, Asst.: VTL. Cook County EC: HPG, XE3AND, portable of AND, operated on 21, 14, and 7 Me, to and from Acapuleo with 100 contacts and then brought back XEIBT to visit, UQT spends a lot of time digging up Emergency Coördinators for downstate counties for HOA, FXK, the son of JRX, is now General Class in Bloomington and Novices GJU and GBM also are heard from there. MRQ is recovered nicely from surgery and is able to attend to his duties as Asst. RM of ILN. Also back on the active from the sick list are IDA.

TLC, DKW, and LOC, RQY took time out from his OO work and got married. UZP is operating from SAL at Valpo Tech, and would like to hear from friends. A visitor at OMA, Polo, was 2YW, MBI is back after a Florida vacation. JSP sports a new 32V-3 and has a big signal. Is there any am in Rochelle who would like to handle traffic from @GAR to his son there? IMN, chief operator at CGC/9, is on the air at home with 807s and makes it a business to collar non-club hams to enlist their support for the license bill. The St. Clair Amsteur Radio Club defrayed most of the Field Day expenses with a bake sale and, thanks to the ladies, the first support of the control of the your SCM Field Day was a great success in this section.
Wonder how many messages are as yet undelivered? LI
promises to come up with another dandy article for QST
on vertical antennas soon. ATH smoothed out modulation
problems and is perking fine. PEB has forsaken hamming
for the summer to work on the house. GTI, the avid mobileer, is back on the wheel bands, but gave up 144 Mc, in
disgust. VJ is a projectionist in a TV station and is considered by 36 other hams at the station as an authority on
TVI HAVE moved to Evanstan and took himself a wife disgonst. VJ is a projectionist in a TV station and is considered by 36 other hams at the station as a nathority on TVI. HME moved to Evanston and took himself a wife who never heard of ham radio. DPY chopped up 50 feet of co-ax feedline in his rotary grass mover and his antenna immediately lost its stan ling waves. ZOU increased power to 300 watts. FKC, chairman of the W9 DXCC, promises a fine meeting of the gang in September to which all DXers as fine meeting of the gang in September to which all DXers are invited. KHJ plans to open a swap shop at his home QTH. YLU is dabbling with 160 meters and YMI is busy with newly-acquired boat. Where does FRP get those beautiful sport shirts he wears? He has become an expert with his camera and is most generous with his prints. DRN would like to see more activity on 220 and 420 Mc. There is no summer slump in traffic here. Traffic: (June) W9DO 958, CSW 330, CGC/9 270, SME 139, IDA 47, W9CEE 33, BUK 31, LFO 31, LXJ 31, OKQ 29, USI 8, RLX 20, STZ 19, MRQ 15, PHE 8, UZP 8, VHD 7, MXF 4, BA 3. (May) K9FBD 154, W9FRP 11.

INDIANA—SCM. George H. Grane, W9BKJ—With the National civil defense drill just passed your SCM had a wonderful opportunity to monitor the entire affair in the State. The c.w. and 'phone nets performed wonderfully through the 24-hour drill. The NCs handled affairs as on its well done with the latter. To be the first time To with which we may all your top of the product of the color of

a wonderful opportunity to monitor the entire affair in the State. The c.w. and 'phone nets performed wonderfully through the 24-hour drill. The NCs handled affairs as only veterans could. Several new stations reported into the net drill for the first time. To all, thanks for a job well done. Field Day messages were received from NTA, JF, YRF, MYI, GFA, CKR, YWF, AB, UC, DRJ, and CEA. Brasspounders for the month are NZZ, JUJ, and TT. The Mobile Club of So. Bend enjoyed a piemic supper at Corey Lake. CYQ, ex-Director of the Central Division, again will be host to the HRC aboard his yacht Angas. The IRC building fund now stands at \$1296.54, ZTD has a new RME-55 converter. URT has a 1 kw, in the making, STA has a Globe Scout and an Eldico. SYN has a new Viking, LCARC station ZKW won the first-place ribbon at the hobby show. The TARS used its house trailer for the first time on Field Day, MZE is home from Germany for a short stay. FFH graduated from Annapolis. OLX reports QIN traffic for May as 303, June traffic as 615. At the humfest sponsored by the MARC 105 hams registered. UOW has a converter for 10, 6, and 2 meters. FTN has a new B&W transmitter. ZVX now is using a Lettine rig. The total traffic count for IFN, as reported by NTA, is 25.5, Your PAM reports that 92 stations checked in on the c.d. exercise June 11th; total c.d. traffic was 95. June traffic for RFN totals 259, as reported by BQ. 5f reports total traffic on RFN for the c.d. exercise June 11th; total c.d. traffic was 95. June traffic for RFN totals 259, as reported by BQ. 5f reports total traffic on RFN for the c.d. exercise June 11th; total c.d. traffic was 95. June traffic for RFN totals 259, as reported by BQ. 5f reports total traffic no RFN for the c.d. exercise June 11th; total c.d. traffic was 95. June traffic for RFN totals 259, as reported by BQ. 5f reports total traffic was 150. Sec. 5f No. 280.00 for 3 and 20 meters. CC and ex-31HX met in Poliadelphia and swapped yarns of wireless days in 1910. DKR has 190. Sec. 6f N. 37, 180.00 for 180.00

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# MORE ABOUT HI-FI

LAST MONTH my colleague, Mr. Lindenmuth, made a number of introductory comments on the subject of Hi-Fidelity. This month, at the risk of straying perhaps a bit too far off the ham field, we'd like to say some more about it, especially since "Natco" has entered the field with some really new ideas. First, the Hi-Fi approach and the ham approach are quite different. It's all a

a matter of degree and concept. There probably isn't a ham in the business who would be at all concerned if his vocal utterances were garbled by 5% harmonic distortion, or was told that his frequency response suffers from a slight droop at 10 Ke. So what, says the ham, he heard me, didn't he? Audio distortion isn't as important to hams, and shouldn't be. The audio bug, incidentally, is a ham at heart anyway, but he lives in the world of audio instead.

This whole business of Hi-Fi concerns the reproduction of electrical signals with a minimum of distortion. It's the urge for the microscopic last bit of perfection that makes the subject interesting. Although hams certainly haven't any use for 0.1% distortion, or flat frequency response, after getting exposed to some of the problems encountered in "trying for the last zero," it's difficult not to become somewhat fanatic like those already involved. Probably it's some basic human instinct to always get something better.

As a good example of where the search for something better can lead, we can point to the new National Criterion tuner. This receiver differs from the old-fashioned conventional circuitry in many ways. Because of our interest in getting something better than conventional we have developed a new type of FM detector in this receiver. Many people have looked at our schematic, scratched their heads and mumbled "what the H...". We think it is the first big advance in detector circuits as it escapes problems associated with conventional Foster-Seeley or ratio detectors and adds features which could never be achieved otherwise.

You might ask what's wrong with conventional detectors? If you aren't interested in elimination of all distortion, they serve satisfactorily. We can summarize what we consider to be the big faults.

1. Lack of linearity. It becomes a very difficult task to design out every trace of nonlinearity. It isn't theoretically possible to remove all the higher order harmonics, especially with large frequency excursions. What's more, very small deviations from true linearity can introduce surprisingly large percentages of harmonic and intermodulation distortion. What looks to be a straight line curve can very easily introduce 2 or 3% distortion.

2. Narrow bandwidth is another limitation. Getting a wide bandwidth with a conventional detector is difficult with respectably linear response. Wide bandwidth is of obvious value in covering up I. F. drifts, added freedom from impulse noise, need for critical tuning, and is a requirement for a high capture ratio,

3. Response to A. M. signals has been very much reduced by the ratio detector, but small amounts still remain.

Natco's new "linear impedance detector" circuit solves these problems. In the first place it's completely linear - in theory it represents an absolutely straight line throughout its entire bandwidth. The bandwidth isn't kilocycles, but megacycles wide, centered around the I. F. frequency. The limitation of usable bandwidth is not the detector as it usually is, but the I. F. bandwidth. Incidentally, this is one reason why we do not need AFC since critical tuning and small drifts are of no consequence. Furthermore, AM rejection is complete. The detector has extremely short time constants, good up to at least 100 Kc, reduces peak impulse effects, and is much easier to control in production. True linearity is assured by the very nature of the circuit. Its audio level is somewhat lower, however, and requires an audio amplifier stage. This is, of course a direct result of the extreme bandwidth, but an example of the old saw which holds in every phase of life - you can't have your cake and eat it too. The advantages of this circuit were too good for us to lose, so we included a low distortion audio stage, plus a cathode follower.

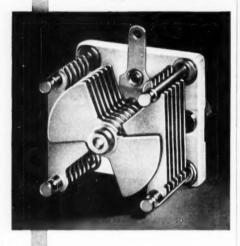
The constant battle for perfection continues. Just how we can improve on this one we don't know. Maybe a new idea will come along some day to show us how we can have our cake and eat it too.



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HAMMARLUND

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UNL, UXW, RQK, SZR, and ZAD. Qualifying for BPL this month are VBZ, CXY, UNJ, and SAA. VBZ helped QSP flood traffic from the southern states, and assisted the Red Cross in a search for two lost servicemen. ROM is setting up a rig at WHAD, RTP is trying for 20 now that he has the rig perking on 40 meters. HW has new 32V-3 with Johnson Matchbox on all bands, OOF is new Asst. EC (mobiles) for Milwauksee AREC. Capt. Geo. Parkinson, of Milwauksee cd., stated that the amateurs did an FB job in "Operation Alert" and handled 80 per cent of the traffic According to EC AKY, 29,520 ke, is now monitored at La Crosse Police 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, YNO has voice-controlled break-in, Green Bay AREC participated in "Operation Alert" with control station and mobiles on 29 Mc. AD worked 60 stations with a multiplier of 6 in the June V.H.F. Contest. The Racine Megacycle Club worked 400 stations in Field Day with two transmitters. FPE continues to cover the State with his "super" mobile rig and antenna RKP has two-element beam on 20, 15, and 10 meters. Both DSP and LEE report a "big" 144-Mc. opening on June 25-27. DSP picked up Kentucky to bring his total up to 12 states, 700 miles, GDW has twelve-element colinear antenna on 144 Mc., and REQ picked up Ilinois and South Dakots. LEE plans an automatic keyer for calling CQ. AEM received 25-wp.m. Code Proficency award. A big crowd head an FB time at the BEN picnic at Waterloo July 11th. The La Crosse gang held its picnic Aug. 8th. New EC appointed words. RTP 76, WMJ 40, GMM 32, HW 4Q, and UFW. Traffic W9VBZ 1626, CXY 598, ESJ 339, SAA 227, UNJ 165, RTP 76, WMJ 40, GMM 32, HW 42, OVO 22, YLE 4, ZAD 14, NVJ 12, HDV 10, KWJ 8, UIM 8, AFT 5, CTP 4, GUE 2, MUM 2, RKP 2, VKR 1.

#### DAKOTA DIVISION

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NORTH DAKOTA — SCM, Earl C. Kirkeby, W#HNV—PAM: GZD, RM: LHB. The Black Hills Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring the Dakota Division #77 Convention in Rapid City, So. Dakota, Sept. 17–18–19. Hope to see a lot of you there. The Sioux Amateur Radio Assn. of Grand Forks has its mobile bus about ready to go, with a 5-kw. ac. generator, antennas, and operating tables installed. The Red River Radio Amateurs Club of Fargo was out on Field Day, as was the Jamestown Radio Club. QKP has a new Globe King. NQI now has his Elmac on 160 meters and is getting out FB. VAR is new on the air from Drayton with an Elmac A5-1 mobile and A5-1H in his home. As this is being written everyone on the air is talking about going to the big Hamboree in Grand Forks July 18th. KLP has his station set up at the Boy Seout Camp handling traffic for the boys. Traffic: W#KLP 132, KTZ 54, CAQ 2, EBA 2. SOUTH DAKOTA — SCM. J. W. Sikorski, W#RN — Asst. SCMs: Earl Shirley, #YQR: Martha Shirley, #ZWL. ASC. GCP. RM: SMV. PAMs: PRL. NEO, SIR, stationed in Georgia with the AF, visited his parents and the SFARC, and is reported moving to Canton. LBS has 2nd-class commercial phone ticket. SMV purchased ILL's 813 rig and sold his own to LXQ. While rebuilding, SMV is using PHR's Lyseo, KWE has returned to the air after a year's layoff while rebuilding. MPQ has succumbed to 'phone. Two thunderstorms and a tornado chased the SFARC and soperations. SMV and the gang are keeping the c.w. net in operation all summer. The 75-phone net has discontinued its Saturday night session until further notice. The c.w. net reports for June, 54 QM in 13 sessions, 29 messages handled. Traffic: W#GDE 118, SCT 40, ZWL 29, PHR 24, FFP 20, LBS 16, SMV 15, MPQ 10, RWE 9, QKV 7, RRN 2.

MINNESOTA — SCM. Charles M. Bove, W#MXC—Asst. SCM. Vince Smythe, #GGQ. SEC: GTX. RMs. DQL, OMC. PAMs: JJE, UCV. Our state traffic nets are doing very well in spite of the hot weather and the QRN. IRJ has a remote control for her rig that can be operated from her bed. BGY is the guy that

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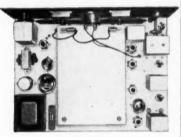
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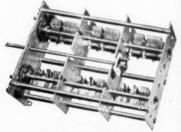
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#### DELTA DIVISION

TJA 14, BUO 13, OPA 13, LIG 7, MBD 7, RA 5, NTV 4.

DELTA DIVISION

ARKANSAS—SCM, Fred Ward, W5LUX — This may be about the last time that we write the news for Arkansas as our term expires, and the new man may take over. I have enjoyed being your SCM, but my work did not permit me to attend to the job as I should have. Let's all get behind the new SCM and help him. Remember that he needs reports each month. The civil defense test was a disappointment in some ways, but showed where the weak points were and the next one should be much better. The club groups did an excellent job. Field Day also was a good demonstration this year, with more stations taking part than last year. WUB has a new beam for 15 meters, CAF has Greene County well organized for emergencies. EMT is a new call at Forrest City. Traffic: W5LUX 12.

LOUISIANA—SCM, Thomas J. Morgavi, W5FMO—The Central La. Amateur Radio Club has reorganized with 45 members and is affiliated with ARRL, ZHT is vacationing in North Carolina. KRX skeds RNS, CAN, and PAN nets. NG meets the Hit and Bounce and Crawfish Nets every morning. The following took part in "Operation Alert" on June 14th: TUR, SQB, TKV, BAC, WHK, LFF, HEK, CNG, MAV, NNS, FBI, NPJ, HHT, LVG, UKG, DHE, NG, OVV, URR, RTG Net Control, DGB, and USN, TRO monitors 29,600 kc, in Alexandria, GHBB/5, now in Alexandria, runs 300 watts on 20, 40, and 80 meters. Field Day messages were received by the SCM from DHT/5, dat Lake Borgne with DHT, GNO, and HHT as operators, from MUZ/5, the Monroe Amateur Radio Club, 3 tenamitters. L2 operators, 10 AREC members; from SUM/5, the Shreveport Radio Club, two 30-watt transmitters with SUM, NNM, and ULI as operators; from KC/5, the Baton Rouge Radio Club, approximately 15 miles mortheast of Baton Rouge, with 17 operators and 11 AREC members; from the Westside Amateur Radio Club, operating from Fontainelbeau State Foursome, La, with 15 operators and one AREC member. The Greater New Orleans Annateur Radio Club at Lake Foursome, La, with 15 operators and one AREC member. The heard and worked a ZL recently, so now he has the DX

Mississippi — SCM, Dr. A. R. Cortese, W5OTD—
Tis gratifying this month to see 12 stations making reports to the old SCM. Nice going, gang, keep it up. CKN made BPL again this month, WN5FNM is new in Brookhaven and DRG has dropped the "N." YBF, YBG, YBH, and YXZ participated in the FCDA drill, AMZ reports that the c.w. net is about washed up. It may be the hot weather. Let's help the OM out and get HOT on c.w. 4UNX/5 now is in Gulfport. The QTH of 4CTK, ex-5YYE, is Ft. Payne, Ala. TGD/5 is now in Jackson. OTD has a new 50-watt (Continued on page 78)

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2 — 5' End Inserts, 3," Alum.
Tubing; 2 — 6' End Inserts, 3,"
Alum. Tubing; 2 — 7' End Inserts, 3," Alum. Tubing; 1 — T
Match (6'), Polystyrene Tubing; 1 — Beam Mount,

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match, \$24.95. 1 — 12' Boom,
1" Alum. Tubing; 2 — 12' Cen

ter Elements, 1" Alum. Tubing;
4 — 12' End Inserts, 14" Alum. Elements, 1" Alum. Tubing; 12' End Inserts, 54" Alum. ing; 1 — T. Match. (8'), styrene Tubing; 1 — Beam

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Mount.

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6 — 12' End Inserts, 1s" Alum,
Tubing; 1 — T Match (8'),
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his car. Traffic: W5CKN 118, JHS 58, YBH 58, RIM 45, TIR 40, EWE 38, VME 37, YXZ 37, AMZ 30, OTD 24, YFB 17, CTY 8, TENNESSEE—SCM, Harry C, Simpson, W48CF—SEC: RRV. RM: WQW, PAM: PFP, Reports from stations continue to annaze us, although traffic is down, PFP and WQW invite all hams to join us on the various TENN Nets for real satisfaction in traffic handling, TENN C.W. opens on Labor Day, 3635 ke., 1900 CST. The Memphis Club used 20 operators during Field Day, as did Knoxville. The Oak Ridge Club operated on 20, 40, and 75 meters. The Kingsport and Bays Mountain Club joins our fine lineup, with WOX, pres; VKE, vice-pres; WQT, seey, and moneyman. Congrats to all hands for making the Crossville Picnic a great success! LRO teaches an official high school class in radio each summer and averages 15 new hams in the six-week sessions. PL still is ailing, but is recovering. SCF, reëlected Cotton Carnival Director, assures Memphis hams of some small (?) activity during festivities. BQG, a shut-in, suspended a Viking chassis over his head and wired it with no complications. IIB was awarded 5 consecutive MAR Outstanding Contribution certificates, and meets 3 MARS Outstanding Contribution certificates, and MARS Outstanding Contribution certificates, and

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

KENTUCKY - Acting SCM. Robert E. Fields, W4SBI KENTUCKY — Acting SCM, Robert E. Fields, W48181 — WXL had a hit by lightning, burning up his antenna and a 16-watt rig and causing about \$20,00 damage to his receiver, WNH has up a new 26-meter folded dipole and is getting some new countries. EPA has been getting the DX lately. Wit has a pair of 813s on the air with about 600 watts. The Georgetown Amateur Radio Club is a growing concern. President WMF reports the following members: ZKS, WIY, RIW, BZW, and BZU. WHC is building a rig for break-in, SBI has a 600-watt gasoline generator and is all set for Field Day next year or any emergency. The Middlesboro Amateur Radio Club went out for Field Day next begreators. building a rig for break-in, SBI has a 600-watt gasoline generator and is all set for Field Day next year or any emergency. The Middlesboro Amateur Radio Club went out for Field Day with 3 transmitters, 2 portable generators, and 8 antennas. The Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Club, with 7 transmitters on the field, worked all bands including 50 and 144 Mc. Kentucky was "hot as a depot stove" on Field Day with Field Day crews being heard from just about all over the State, Fellows, let us hear from you with any news or traffic reports. We know some of you fellows must be working your fingers to the bone to build rigs, erect antennas, work DX and many more things of interest. Unannounced emergency tests will be run from time to time by the SEC, NBY, Get your equipment ready and watch for them. Traffic: K4WBG 373, W4VBA 323, YZE 246, TQC 209, WNH 126, SBI 85, ZLK 84, SYD 67, WXL 61, WHC 34, NIZ 22, CDA 12, AZQ 11, OMW 10.

MICHIGAN — SCM, Fabian T, McAllister, W8HKT — Asst. SCMs: Bob Cooper, 8AQA; Joseph Beljan, SSCW. SCC; GJH, Our sincere appreciation to Governor Williams for proclaiming the week of June 19th through 25th as "Ham Radio Operator Week" in Michigan, The opening gun of the week was our annual Field Day; and the complete story of Field Day in this area will probably never be told! We suspect that many of the emergency gas-engines were turned into power for manning the pumple! Everyone got wet, everyone worked hard, and everyone had the time of hands held up well in spite of severe QRN; and the way that

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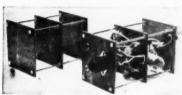
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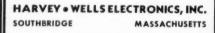
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new ir, operator, ZAU made 240 contacts for KSAIR during Field Day. OQP has a new Viking II. Flasht BF converted his YL to an XYL on June 29th. Congratulations, OTT Orrie, however, was deeply saddeined to learn that Ti9BR's equipment never left the ship at Coose Island. Geogua County was represented by IGQ, CIV. PMJ, UKS, GRA, NAK, and OHL in the c.d. alert. RLR is QRT rebuilding during the summer months. ROX reports the CBA made 811 contacts with 2½ rigs during Field Day. WNSQYS received his 20-w.p.m. Code Proficiency certineate. DL and NNG will vacation in Ontario. DG is spending a month on the West Coast. HC was NCS on 2 meters during the c.d. alert. The Canton group has over \$1000.09 in club gear and is contemplating the purchase of a tent. DSX reports that the Ohioans are holding well on 8RN. LYD announces that the CRACES plan for Cuyshoga County has been tentatively approved by both the County and the State. The CACARC also approved the plan. The Van Wert Club is the section's latest ARRL albilate. Officers are ASL, pres; DHG, vice-pres; OWD, seey.; OWC, treas; GLM, act. mgr. The West Park mobile group was out in full force on Field Day stypringfield \$O-5 reports that HTE spoke on "The How and Why of RTTY" at the last club meeting; GLT's students are progressing nicely in code and theory; BFP has been nominated as club historian; and 15 members were active at the Field Day site. The Hamilton Bulletin announces that 765 contacts were made in the Field Day exercises; WXB and OEQ are vacationing in the Dakotas; new Novices are SBK and SCH; and local c.d. officials wrote a letter of thanks to the Club for its operation in the c.d. alert Cincy's Mikeand Key informs us that the annual Stag Hamfest and Radio Parts Show will be held Sun, Sept. 12th at Ash Grove on Winton Road. OVARA's Ether Waves states that the Club's ransmitters made 1550 contacts in Field Day competition, with 112 of them being on 20-, 40-, and 80-meter c.w. SDD made YLCC and needs but one more state for YL/WAS. LPD has worked his 19th state o Green; and new Technicians in the area are RZM, RZN, and RZQ, Over 25 WASS certificates have been sent out by the Sycamore Smiths! The Columbus Carascope relates that the Club made 460 Field Day contacts; PA3GE and PA9UN were guests at a recent club meeting; IZR is now operating out of Omaha; and LWO has completed building a 2-neter transmitter. Eastern Ohio's Ham Flashes mentions that Warren Harding High has 9 members in the schools radio club; LQW is president; MTV has recently gone mobile; MTVARA's official call is QLY; the Ashtabula gang is building emergency 2-meter equipment; and BKM of Conneaut has purchased an antenna farm. Dayton's RF Carrier announces the results of its v.h.f. context. Local winners were SVI, HOH, and LUZ while leading non-members were ED, SDJ, and EHW. Also included in the bulletin was a copy of Governor Lausche's proclamation which proclaimed the week of June 13-19 Amateur Radio Week in Ohio, Traffic: Unice) WSFYO 506, RO 224, DG 165, ARO 155, AJW 144, JH 102, HFE 101, PM 101, KZM 92, AMH 89, AEU SDAE 73, AL 69, IFX 61, HNP 54, SRF 46, MQQ 43, FSM 30, GZ 19, ZAU 17, LVH 14, CTZ 13, ROX 12, PMJ 10, KIH 9, OCR 8, PBX 8, DL 6, HPP 6, OQP 6, WAY 6, JUNE 3, RZ 3, CSN 2, NQQ 2, THJ 2, AYR 1. (May) WSWAY 42, DL 16, JNR 3.

#### **HUDSON DIVISION**

HUDSON DIVISION

EASTERN NEW YORK — SCM, Stephen J. Neason, WILL — SEC: RTE. RMs: TYC, KBT. PAMs: GDD, JQI, JGC. The SLRC has a Novice examining procedure all set up and invites prospective licensees in the vicinity of Rockland and Bergen Counties to contact QMV. K2BPG is mobile on 29 Mc. K2BFU dropped the "N." Rockland County AREC Net operates every Wed. at 7:30 P.M. on 29.6 Mc. SZJ is the NCS. The HHRL claims Field Day was a huge success, the West-hester County boys really turned out and the gang got a big write-up in the local papers. Similar claims were made by WARA. Yonkers and the Highland Radio Clubs. WQL reports that Zero Bea. is not compared to the Highland Radio Clubs. WQL reports that Zero Bea. is not being published during July and August. ILI and SZ were awarded WVT certificates. After Labor Day, Director (cooke, OBU, will maintain a speaker's watch on 3.6 Mc. nightly from 7:30 P.M. on, when at home, for contact with any amateur in our division for QSOs dealing with questions and discussions of League matters and policy. One of our very active clubs is located near your home; if you do not know its location and desire information, please drop a line to the SCM. MRQ is portable at a boys camp in Lowalle for the summer. K2DQH and OKI are organizing a 21-Mc. net in Westehester. Congrats to the SEC. RTE, and all the ECs for a job well done in the national ced. test. AAO is conducting a code class at the VA hospital in Albany. There are about twenty in the class, including twelve M.D.s. LTQ is firing up a 522 on 144 Mc. New members of the SARA are OAK, K28 ELC, AWA, and HWN, also KN2HQJ. YXE is active on NYSEPN. Do not lose your appointment, check your endorsement date now. LEL is mobile on 144 (Continued on page 82) (Continued on page 82)

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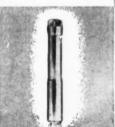


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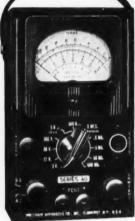


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#### MIDWEST DIVISION

IOWA — SCM, William G. Davis, W&PP — This being vacation time, the reports are few, which gives me an opportunity to explain my apparent laxity in the SCM job. It is because the demands of my job at WHO have increased by the installation of TV and until the installation is complete it will remain so. Please understand and bear with me. In spite of the summer slump BDR and SCA still make BPL. BDR is due for a vacation with his sister in California. PAN has been portable at Clear Lake. A new Bufington Novice is Wn@UTG. New TLCN members are PKH and RJX. BBZ has received his commission as ensign and will report to duty sboard a heavy cruiser shortly. NGS had a vacation in Canada and was a neighbor of VE4RO. He also reports that his dad is QHV. WN&SQE reports from Sioux City and his traffic is climbing each month. There was the usual activity by the hams along the Des Moines River during the latest flood and they conducted themselves in their usual efficient manner. Reports on this activity to the SCM was nil but I know they were in there and their actions speak louder than words. By the time this gets into print the vacation season will be over. Perhaps I will be on routine work once more, so get your reports in. Traffic: WBBIDR 1636, SCA 1324, CZ 251, PAN 29, LJW 28, WN&SQE 26, W&OVA 20, NGS 13, PUR 8, BBZ 4.

KANSAS — SCM, Earl N, Johnston, W@ICV — SEC: PAH. PAM: FNS. RM: KXL. Field Day was one of the outstanding activities for Kansas amateurs this month. The Lawrence Amateur Radio Club operated 1 miles south of Lawrence with 2 transmitters and 12 operators. CJFs QTH was 10 miles west of Chanute with 10 operators. Recott County gang operated TYL at State Park with 6 operators at Coffeyville. The El Dorado Amateur Radio Club operated from Coronado Heights with 20 operators and the state Park with 6 operators and theast fair Grounds with 8 operators from ECD/9. The Salina Kansas Radio Club operated from Coronado Heights with 20 operators and theast fair Grounds with 8 operators and theast Fair Grounds with 8 operat

erated six rigs with 42 operators, all on emergency power from Lenexa. The Ottawa Radio Emergency Club operated 2 rigs with 3 operators southeast of Ottawa. The Hutchinson Amateur Radio Club operated from the State Fair Grounds with 8 operators. The KVRC of Topeka operated 5 rigs with 28 operators southeast of Lake Shawnee. EXV reports the officers of the Ottawa Radio Emergency Club are KFU. press; EXV, vice-press; NFW, secy; MND, treas. ORD is a new ham at Williamsburg. WNØUAT, who has only had in ticket since May 1st, has worked 16 states and handled 3 messages. WNØVFC is a new ham from Clay Center. WNØVGE is a new call from Colby (She is LOW's lil' YL). EOT is active on QKS, is NCS Wed. on 75-meter 'phone et, is Oo, and has 2-and 6-meter rigs going. Traffic: (June) WØBIJ 608, NIY 314, EOT 258, IFR 238, ONC 69, NLV 46, FNS 24, MIG 23, ABJ 18, QMU 18, TNA 18, YFE 16, NFY 15, ICV 11, DEL 8, KAJ 7, KFS 7, LQX 7, ASY 6, DX 64, WILOZ 55, WORD 19, NEW 15, NOW 15,



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our clubs participated in the Field Day activities this year. New AREC member: PUS. CPI, GAR, and QXO each earn another BPL. The KYTS have a new daughter. GAR is carrying a heavy load of schedules. Traffic: (June) W6CPI 722, GAR 718, QXO 514, BZK 228, GBJ 103, QWB 58, HU 156, KIK 44, KA 32, CKQ 23, LQC 23, OUD 22, EBE 16, BVL 14, BUL 13, CXE 8, ZWI 6, RWT 3, RCV 1, WIS 1. (May) W6LS 246, WIS 2.

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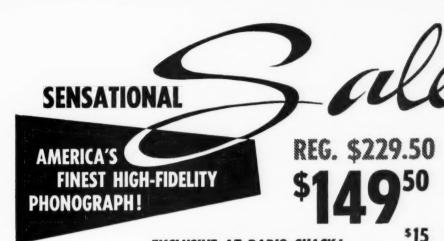
\*\*REBRASKA — SCM, Floyd B. Campbell, W6CBH — Asst. SCM-NCS: Tom Boydston, 6VYX. SEC: JDJ. The reports received during Field Day show that we are very much in need of AREC members. Contact your SEC or SCM for blanks. GDZ has mobile with Morrow converter and Elmac transmitter. UOB, DQN, WN88VV have been appointed as Asst. ECs for the Schney Area. DQN, KQX, and VIB can operate mobile units in case of emergency. RTC, at Sioux Ordmance Depot, is in full readiness just in case and will be on 3702 kc. The Panhandle Slow Speed Net in operation with GDZ as NCS, aided by DQN and RTC. KXD has a new BW-5100. EXP is on with a mew Slieer. HZE added a YL to his shack, ISV has a new A54-H mobile: HZE added a YL to his shack, ISV has a new A54-H mobile: HZE added a YL to his shack, ISV has a new A54-H mobile in the Alliance section. WN6UOW and WN6UOW are new calls at North Platte with good fishing reported up in the Alliance section. WN6UOW and WN6UOW are new calls at North Platte any Novices interested in the Panhandle Slow Speed C.W. Net can contact GDZ at 1707 Third, Sloux Villa, Sidney, for rules, etc. This Net is run at 7 words a minute and handles any and all traffic. Traffic: K9AIR 3091, W8ZJF 200, HTA 78, AEM 71, VYX 51, WR 22, K9WBF 20, WBERM 19, QHG 67, OFL 16, MAO 11, KDW 10, QMZ 8, DJU 7, NGZ 6, QOU 6, RRH 6, BCH 1, PON 1.

#### NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

CONNECTICUT — SCM, Milton E. Chaffee, W1EFW—SEC: LKF, PAM: RRE, RM: KYQ, MCN and CN-3640, CPN-3880, CEN-29,580 kc. Traffic men note: MCN, Mon. Fri. 0645 local time on 3640 kc., Conn., Mass., N. Y., and Pa. direct. JEQ put on an exhibit of amateur radio at the Cheshire Fair in June. TYQ is back on the air with 500 watts and a full-wave antenna on 80 meters. QLF has a new 14-Mc. beam. TJX has 12,000 feet of copper wire buried under is antenna. NPG is on s.s.b. and says it's tops. Thanks to MLT for his help on CPN during the illness of RRE. RWD renewed EC appointment. HUM is back on after a change of QTH in West Hartford. TD continues OBS skeds and reports AUK as a Silent Key. LIG sends a big news letter and reports 144 Mc. FB. KML and KGT have new 813 finals. JMI is active mobile on 2. 10, and 75 meters. RMZ has a new kw. rig. RY has moved to Michigan. UAD moved to Devon. Even though OKT and LIG are doctors and have the same name they are not related. ZHK and ZEE are two of the nine children of YQR and ZEF. The SARC was active, in the V.H.F. Party with operators TCW, RFJ. ASO, GVK, FMU. URC, WAV, and RON and Novices ZEF. ZGF, ZNU, ZTY. BHZ, ZZU, and APS. UIZ skeds YQI on 144 Mc. and is looking for more local QSOs. HNF/1 is on 144 Mc. week ends from Black Point. Thanks to BVB and GIX for regular Ob reports. HYF has a new Johnson Ranger. ZFF is a new OPS. HUM renewed well in the last F.M.T. UJG is on 220 Mc. with WH.L. WN1AXE is a new ham at Croton. To those who supplied reports and news, my thanks. The deadline here is the lifth, so keep them coming up to that date each month. The Tri-City Radio Council elected Groton. To those who supplied reports and news, my thanks. The deadline here is the fifth, so keep them coming up to that date each month. The Tri-City Radio Council elected CUH, pres.; CNC and RPQ, vice-pres.; TWN, secy.; NDX treas.; QV and UQV, act. mgr. Traffic: (June) W1WNH 319, AW 293, TSZ 231, S1O 215, CUH 162, KYQ 133, LIG 130, YBH 115, RGB 105, UNG 105, BVB 87, EFW 76, MLT 46, GIX 35, BDI 32, YYM 31, LV 19, QJM 16, TWZ 14, APA 8, HYF 7, ZDX 4. (Mgy) W1SJO 330, VOV 62, AYC 30, MLT 22, VOS 6, ZDX 4. (Apr.) W1SJO 258, ZDX 2.

AYC 30, MLT 22, VOS v, ZDA 4. (Apr.) w 1890 200, ZDX 2.

MAINE — SCM, Bernard Seamon, W1AFT — SEC;
BYK, PAM; BTY, RM; OHT, The Pine Tree Net meets on 3596 kc, at 1900, the Sea Gull Net on 3960 kc, at 1730, the Barnyard Net on 3960 kc, at 0730, all EST, Only two Field Day set-ups reported to your SCM, one at Shapley with fifteen operators, including eleven AREC men, and one at South Portland with ten present, five of whom were AREC members. Our SEC, BYK, and all his c.d. stations did a fine job during the alert on June 14th and 15th. Don wishes to extend his thanks to all who took part and especially to those who kept 3960 kc, clear for all those long thryty hours. Y18 was heard manning the Lincoln County c.d. station, only a few days later he was heard aboard the Schooner Blue Dolphin off Nova Scotia heading north. LHA rounded up a crew of mobiles to assist in the handling of the MacMillan Day testivities in Boothbay Harbor, including WTQ, WTH, and TZV, 4BU, who is visiting us this summer, used to be 1BRU, of Norway, One hundred and fifty hungry hams gathered at Lewiston for the hamfest. (Continued on page 88)



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KDE won the mobile hunt from nineteen other intrepid searchers, who were buoyed up by a fine dinner of spaghetti and meathalls. Ralph, HXQ, and Hazel, LYR, called on your SCM as did Nat, HPB, Ruth, UQA, and Felix. their cat! Summer is almost over and we start another season of ham radio. Good luck to all and may the DX be juicy. Traffic: WLKP 119, OHT 69, BPI 60, UDD 29, AFT IS, BX 13, BWI 10, TGW 8, LHA 4, TJQ 4.

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS — SCM, Frank L. Baker jr., WIALP — BL is our Section EC. AWA is PAM for 6 meters. UE is RM for 80-meter c.w. and AQE for 40 meters. Eastern Mass. Net is on 3660 kc. at 7 F.M. Mon. through Fri. Appointments endorsed: DW Westwood, SKN Medford, QWN Randolph, RQZ Abington, BBL Manchester as ECs; WAG, IH, and MX as ORSs; IH, SAI, and RQZ as OBSs; MX as OFS; PXH as OO. The Television Interference Committee of Greater Boston has been formed, representing the manufacturers, the broadcasting industry, ter as ECs; WAG, IH, and MX as ORSs; IH, SAI, and RQZ as OBSs; WX as OPS; PXH as OO. The Television Interference Committee of Greater Boston has been formed, representing the manufacturers, the broadcasting industry, the amateur fraternity, and the FCC. TWG is chairman, Jack Manning, seey. ALP, FWS, CQ, and AKC are on the committee. ED reports that the Merrimack Valley Amateur Radio Club station, NBN, is back on the air with the HT-9 on 10-, 20-, 40-, and 75-meter phone. Also a collinear for 2 meters has been erected at the club headquarters on River Rd. West Andover. ZQL has a Gonset. The following radio clubs were heard here on Field Day: Old Colony, Satuit, South Shore, Arlington, Framingham, Waltham, El-Ray, and Yankee. Hingham went up to Wilton, N. H. The South Eastern Mass. ARA of New Bedford, WKM, was on from c.d headquarters. PXH, BGW, and BGH took part in the May F.M. T. Some new General Class hams: ZPY Lexington, ZHW Auburndale, YSY Needham, ZNW Lexington; Novice and Tech. Class: BTX Waltham; Tech. Class: BKW Peabody. The Bedford Radio Club elected KLO, pres.; SPL, vice-pres.; NAD, treas; YFP, seey. An 80-meter c.w. traffic met has been in operation on 3600 kc. on Thurs. at 1815 with JB as NCS and YFP, YWY, WYY, and SVU active. South Shore will hold a summer meeting on the 3rd Fri. of each month at the Quincy YMCA. Deep Sea Dragnet had a picnic at PU's QTH. LM is in Maine. WAI, Arlington, has a Viking II, 75A-1, and folded dipole, works c.w. on 20, 40, and 80 meters, and has worked 77 countries. WU is mobile only for the summer. Many c.d. groups took part in the nationwide c.d. drill. Quincy was on with 14 set up in the City Hall with most of the towns in Sector 5 on. BL was on at Region 5 Headquarters at Viking II, AE and 10 meters. Col. Platt, of the State c.d. office, visited the New Bedford Club. AEN has a Viking II, AB has a 75A-3. WGN and SSS are on with TBS-50s. TU has a new car. CTZ built an emergency rig for 10 meters. RdV has a new QTH. VH is in Hull for the summer. The Lynn group participat

relayed to VMID on 10 meters and he relayed to Sector Control in Lynn. PN writes he still is sailing for the Standard Oil Co. of N. J. aboard the SB Esso Little Rock, but does not have a rig aboard. He is pursuing his hobby of collecting all of the early wireless magazines in complete sets. CPD is moving to St. Louis, Mo. for awhile, MX was out on Field Day but the gas generator failed. New officers of the M. I.T. Radio Society are 4 YHD, pres; YFM, vice-pres.; Ralph Gage, seey.; WBR, treas.; 90 HX, station manager. The Falmouth Radio Club was out on Field Day. CLF is rebuilding the rigs and will be on 40- and 80-meter. cw. and 10-meter 'phone. As EC for Norfolk he has BU, MGL, MJO, and YWB lined up with him and they were on during the big cd. test. IBE is active on many nets. Traffic: (June) WIVVA 331, UKO 229, AVY 65, WAI 29, BY 28, EPE 16, CLF 15, GLT 7, LM 4, WU 4, MX 2, (May) WIEPE 129.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTES — SCM, Roger E. Corey, WIJYH — SEC; KUE, RM; BVR, PAM; RDR, WMM meets at 7 F.M. EDST, Mon. through Fri. on 3560 kc. WCC has a new 60-watt rig using a pair of 807s in the final and VFO control. WDW finds that the higher he but his antenna the more DX he works. WEF spent his vacation operating portable in the Catskills. WNIAJX is up to 26 states and also has worked VF and WP4. WNIABD lists WH6 as his best DX. Tay drove the cd. doat in the Northampton Tercentennial Parade. BVR has been appointed Sector 3 Radio Officer and LRA is Deputy Radio Officer, RHU now is EXGBM. TVI has a narked of the PRC are HRC, pres; UCJ, vice-pres; IW, treas, TDS, seey. DPY, AW, and OKA are on the activities committee, while HPA, TDS, and HJL make up the new 80-meter antenna and a new mike and reports a marked of the PRC are HRC, pres; UCJ, vice-pres; IW, treas, TDS, seey. DPY, AW, and OKA are on the activities committee, while HPA, TDS, and HJL make up the new 80-meter antenna and a new mike and reports a marked of the PRC are mong those out on Field Day. New officers of the PRC are mong those out on Field Day. New officers

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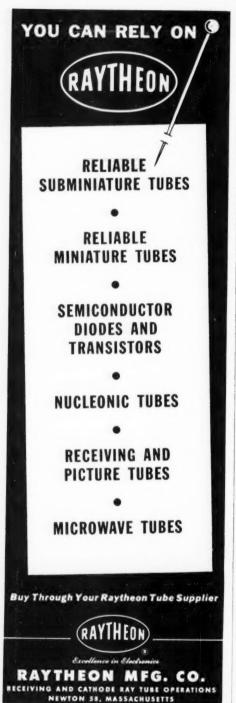
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WITVI 141, BVR 89, WCG 65, TAY 36, WEF 35, WDW 29, JYH 7, UV16, WCC 5, EFC 1, OBQ 1, ZEO 1, NEW HAMPSHIRE — SCM. Carroll A. Currier, WIGMH— SEC: BXU, RM: CRW. PAM: AXL. WZB has a new rig with a 4-125å in the final. He has a code class about recity for examinations at La Salette Seminary in Enfield. UGF as now 9DEM. A new family duo is ZUR (Ann) and ZUS (Ralph). K2DEM is portable for the summer at Enfield. The Manchester Radio Club has WUU on code and TXK on theory at an FB class in the YMCA, as per FCC instructions in June OST. CRW is keeping skeds with the flue Delphin on its trip to the Arctic. WBM has just returned from a trip to New Jersey and called on many ham acquaintances on route. The following are new ECs: MUJ, RXA, and USB. SSK has an FB mobile rig and keeps in touch with his XYL, who is WVT, while his away on business trips. UNV spent the holidays at home over the Fourth. He is on the U.S.S. Interpid. In their two-day set-up "Club 73" handled almost one hundred messages at its traffic booth in the lobby of a local theater in Portsmouth. WUG has a rig set up at his summer QTH in Moultonboro, GMH had a fine visit from WBM, VXR, and his XYL. Traffic: (June) WIGMH 71, COC 70, CDX 63, POK 55, QGU 15, F2 3. (Apr.) WIGMH 98.

RHODE ISLAND — SCM, Merrill D. Randall, WIJBB—Acting SCM, Don Schwardt WITRX, JBB, Rhode Island SCM, is enjoying his annual leave in Maine, away from Navy duties. The Cranston Radio Assan, has elected BTV, pres.; WNIZPG, vice-pres.; W10GT, seey.; and POP, treas. This group has a 10-meter net drill every Thurs, at 9 on 29.52 Mc. Ledt. Les Harlow, USN, 4CVO, is new president of the Newport County Radio Club. AJR, ex-TIT, is new vice-president, 4CVO visited Wyoming, ARL. Headquarters, and W1AW during the month, participated in Field Day with the Newport group, and has been active on bands at the same time. May traffic reports than the 1st of the month, We need more ARRL appointees. Those interested in ORS, OPS, OO, or OES can contact JBB. Many Rhode Island mobiles are being heard these f

TRX 4.

VERMONT — SCM. Robert L. Scott, WIRNA—
PAM: RPR. RM: OAK. Vermont nets meet on 3860 and
3520 ke. Field Day reports were received from TRZ/1 at
Sunset Lake, 20 operators 12 AREC; MEP/I, Woodford,
EC at controls. Others were known to be on but have not
reported. BIP is in the throse of building a Viking Ranger.
YOQ and VVS have new Elmac mobile transmitter. CBW
is back on the air 75-meter mobile and fixed. St. Johnsbury
c.d. station now is located at the local broadcast station.
WTWN. Thirty-two stations have been awarded W-VT
certificates. VSA is ANCS VTPN until RPR gets his
blown-up power transformer replaced. UGW has a job
with R.C.A. as engineer in Camden, N.J. TAN reports
code and theory classes as usual. Traffic: W10AK 166,
RNA 99, AVP 68, TLI 47, IT 28, UGW 24, TAN 11, KJG 9,
VVP 6. VVP 6

#### NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

ALASKA—SCM. Dave A. Fulton, KL7AGU—The Elmendorf ARC held its Field Day at Mile 39 on Glen Allen Highway. Those participating were AKE, ATU, AXL, BIV, BEY, BBY, ATL, and W&CVP/KL7. This was the first Field Day for most of the boys and the score indicated plenty of club spirit. MARS members of the EARC have received some surplus 2-meter gear and should be on the air soon. The Anchorage Club operated AA, the club station, during Field Day and made a fair showing. A vote of thanks should go to WL7BCH for his part in the Field Day exercise. Others operating during Field Day were the Kodiak Club, FA, and CC. Had there been a prize for key clicks we know who would have won first place and hope the party or parties concerned take steps to clean it up. The SEC, TI, reports a very good showing for the c.d. test. W71KH and his XYL, are back with us and Nick hopes to be signing MZ again. Traffic: (June) KL7AIR 1531, FAF 256, ATL 6. (May) KL7AF

(June) KL7AIR 1531, FAP 256, ATL 6. (May) KL7FAF 960.

IDAHO — SCM, Alan K. Ross, W71WU — Gifford; WN7VWS's first Q8O was a VE6. He says he averaged 4 Q8Os per day the first month on 80 meters. Bonner county: NLJ went to VA Hospital in Spokane for a check-up. Kellogg: RQG reports heavy QRN from power lines. Lewiston: IDZ reports that NOG moved to Lewiston, and is with the County Soil Conservation Dist. as an engineering aide. GMC is rebuilding, as well as scheduling a W6 friend in the Bay Area. CTT works at the Atom Plant, Richland. AOO is going mobile in his station wagon. IDZ is building a 6-meter transmitter and converter. Boise: WN98AK was in Boise for the summer. The gang from here, plus Mountain Home, Bliss, Shoshone, Dietrich, Meridian, Nampa, and Caldwell, all attended the hamfest at Anderson Dam, with HPH and his XYL as host and (Continued on page 92)



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hostess. A PE103, the door prize, donated by MARS of the Mountain Home AFB, was won by MKS of Meridian. The Elmore County Amateur Radio Club sponsored the affair. Traffic: W7NLJ 42, RSP 24, RQG 20, WNYWS 4. MONTANA—SCM, Edward G. Brown, WYKGJ—SYK, TGU, and THH have been operating portable from Glacier since June. SFK made BPL in 15 days of operating and by the end of the month had rolled up a traffic total of 702. JRG has been doing some good work on 6 meters with his operating time limited. Ken still was able to work 22 6-meter stations. Ken also is on 144 Mc, and is busy building gear for 432-Mc, work, Your SCM wishes to thank everyone for the wonderful help that was given him while he was holding the office and sure hopes that he might have the honor of being SCM again sometime. His only regrets were that more hams were not met personally and that operating interest slightly. Let's help our new SCM make Montana amateur operating more interesting. Some of the things that would help the SCM a lot would be to send in our news and operating reports, get into the emergency or traffic nets, honor our appointments, and bring out all ideas that might be helpful. Traffic: W7SFK 702, TKB 56, FIS 14.

OREGON — SCM, John M. Carroll, W7BUS — The convention at Klamath Falls was a huge success, as reported by LY representing the Navy. ESJ represented the SCM, who still is on crutches. Portland has approximately 1000 amateurs and could use at least one more active organization. OAP applied for membership in AREC. KL has given up hamming for golf and fishing for the summer. FY requested a new certificate as EC. SO was chairman for the Albany Club Field Day. AWI has Gold Beach for a new QTH. The Oregon Slow Net has a fine the result of the Albany Club Field Day. AWI has Gold Beach for a new QTH. The Oregon Slow Net has a fine the result of the Albany Club Field Day. AWI has a fine bulletin for all members. QFY represented the Army at the convention at Klamath Falls, The convention will be held in Portland in 55. LMM almost ma

kept daily skeds with PFI/m while he was out of the State on an extended vacation. EDU is active in c.d. work. KTL and QLC are setting up a message center at their place of employment. Traffic: W7PRA 85, TBT 57, AJN 43, THX 31, PHJ 18, KTL 6, EDU 2.

WASHINGTON — SCM, Victor S. Giah, W7FIX, SEC; QZF, RM: OE, PAMS: EHH, PGY, ZU reports PRZ home on vacation from Cornell. The OM has him QRL building 'scope, modulator, and 160-meter rig. BTV is putting up new 20-meter beam. The NYLON Net (Northeast YL) Operators' Net) meets 6900 PST Wed. on 3820 & C. TGO, on vacation from school, is building VFO and 50-watt mobile. JHX reports good progress on the TV transmitter. The Puget Sound 2-Meter Net meets at 2000 PST Mon. 145.8 Mc. UQY submitted a nice OO report for his first month's work. AHV, ex-5AHV, is a new Seattle ham interested in traffic. Twenty-four appointments were cancelled June 30th because of no replies from two main inquiries as to activity. WSN Channel B (1988 kc.) has been discontinued until Oct. 1st unless needed before that time because of poor conditions on the regular 3575-kc. channel. TMU, a new OES, wants skeds with Oregon stations on 6 meters. HKA received MTHC No. 37 and ORS appointment. APS is improving — this month's traffic report shows three times that which he handled 20 years ago. The Washington section is in need of many more ECs and Asst. ECs. Volunteers for these important appointments, drop a line to your SCM for details. Your reports must be received by the seventh of the month – that is the date thi, activity report MUST be mailed to Headquarters. Traffic: June W7BA 1886, OQW 367, HKA 345, FRU 323, APS 81, USO 79, HAK 76, AHB 45, C. May) W7KT 540, USO 23, BG 8, AVM 4.

PACIFIC DIVISION

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HAWAII — SCM, James E, Keefer, KH6KS — The 1954 Field Day brought forth all the KH6 clubs and several individual groups who put on a very active display. This should put KH6 pretty well on the map! Fellows, I regret missing the May report because of press of business, which makes it necessary for me to submit my resignation as SCM to be effective with this report. I carnestly plead with all of you who are ARRL members to seriously consider a suitable candidate for my replacement and to vote for him at the designated time! The following stations made BPL for the month of June: KA2AK, KA3PC, KA2GE, KH6USA, KA7SL, KA4DR, KA2HQ, KA3AC, and KA8AB. BPLs for May were KA2FC, KA7RC, and KA8AB. Lack April BPLs reporting were KASAB and KA7RC, 73 and Aloha. Traffic: June) KA2FC 4594, KA3AC 1592, KA7SL, 1267, KA8AB 1190, KA2HQ 994, KH6USA 837, (Continued on page 94)



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932, KH6FAA 333, KH6AJF 194, (Apr.) KA8AB 1269, KA7RC 1083, NEVADA—SCM. Ray T. Warner, W7.IU.—ECs. KOA, LGS, NRU. TJY and ZT. OPS. JU.O. ORSS. MVP, VIU. VDC, operating K7FDB, Stead Field, continues to be Nevada's most active traffic station with a total message count of 1122. Congratulations, Al. VYC, WNYVIQ, and WN7VIP are all new stations in Henderson. PRM has a new Commander transmitter for mobile work and is experimenting with antennas. VIU made 133 contacts with portable on Field Day. OBW, of Las Vegas, again is active after spending several months in the South Pacific, JU has a new Elmac mobile receiver and is all-band mobile 10 to 80 meters. Traffic: K7FDB 1122, W7JU 14, VIU.8.

mobile 10 to 80 meters. Traffic: K7FDB 1122, W7JU 14, VIU 8,

SANTA CLARA VALLEY — SCM, Roy I. Couzin, W6LZL — At this writing your SCM has just been released from the hospital. K6BBD, of Santa Clara, has been appointed Asat, SCM to help out in such emergencies and insure a report in this column. Soon I hope to have an Asat, SCM in each county of the section to help facilitate League activities and take some of the load off your SCM, also to get closer with the groups meeting in the various areas of the section. Field Day has come and gone and I hope it was a memorable occasion. NII was chairman of the San Mateo group at the Piumbo Quarry. JWD was chairman of the Palo Alto group up in the Saratoga Hills, UTV was chairman of the SCCARA group on top of Mt. Hamilton, K6AQM was chairman of the Mt. View group which stayed close to town. The South S.F. group operated next to the S.F. Bay, as they did last year, K6BBD now is bike mobile with one-half watt. JWD reports that a local 144-Mc. hidden transmitter hunt for the Palo Alto Net meets the approval of the gang, W.I. moved the shack to a new room in the QTH and is almost back in swing, EXX has new 144-Mc. transmitter and receiver finished for portable or mobile. WMM is not completely settled yet. He has only one end of the long wire up in a redwood tree. Activity is restricted to 144 Mc. The Mountain View Radio Club has started a radio theory class which meets every Ture. To do as a stat the Mountain View Radio Club has started a radio theory class which meets every Ture. To do as a stat the Mountain View.

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EAST BAY — SCM. Guy Black, W6RLB — Asst. SCMs. Harry Cameron. 6RVC, and Oliver Nelson, 6MXQ. SEC: WGM. RMs. IPW. JOH. PAM: LL. ECs: AKB. CAN, CX, FLT, NNS, QDE. TCU, and ZZF. This is the period when ham radio is traditionally slack — although it looks like the summer of 1934 will be an active one for v.h.f. men. But this column will appear at the beginning of the traditionally busy period of the year. It's a good time, therefore, to write down a few basic points. First, to be useful this column must have news from all groups and persons. Please don't be bashful or wait for recognition to seek you out. Don't wait for something big and important either. Anything you would write in a letter to a friend is fine for this column. Why can't every club appoint someone to pass on the news? Another point, there is a place for the AREC even when civil defense is active. The "honorary" ECs ought to resign, and the fellows in each town ought to help SEC. Jay Amaro find one who will be active. We can help you develop your AREC organization consistent with e.d. and RACES. AREC does not require you to be mobile. Fixed stations with emergency power are extremely valuable. Wily not sign up as a supporting member, even if you cannot take an active part more than once or twice a year? Because of the slowness of the Oakland annoe or twice a year? Successfully, Mac, the present committee chairman has done a marvelous job for years, but the pressure of business is too much. Those fellows who have worked with him deserve congranulations. But Mac feels h reports. Again, don't be bashful. Ask for a bunch of reporting cards, addressed and stamped, next time you write to your SCM. Traffie: K6FDG 2034, W6IPW 237, K6WAY 189, BDF 158, W6QPY 87, HBF 31, YDI 13, EJA 11, KZD/6 1, LUF/6 1, OT/6 1.

LUF/6 1, OT/6 1.

SAN FRANCISCO — SCM. Walter A. Buckley.
W6GGC — EC: NL. The SFRC held an Old-Timers
Night at its June Meeting. AHH took over for GGC, who
was at Coyote for the Mission Trail Roundup. Many of
the "Spark Day Boys" showed up with old-time radio
gear and each gave a short talk on "way back when" days.
An "Old-Timers Night" will be held once a year at the
request of all the gang. The SCRA had a very able repre(Continued on page 96)



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sentative at the San Jose Convention in LOU. The SFNSYC held its meeting with the discussion of the annual picnic being held in August. The Tamalpais Radio Club still is looking for a permanent meeting place for monthly club meetings. The 29ers showed up at San Jose Convention with 18 mobiles going out on a 10-meter hidden transmitter hunt. The Mobileers, local Bay Area 75-meter mobile gang, held its semi-monthly breakfast at the San Jose De Ansa Hotel with 79 members attending. No report was received from the Humboldt Club this month. QMO. president of the San Francisco branch of the YLs, took over the meeting at the convention at the request of CEE, Vada Letcher, president of the YLRC. The CCRC was hed at Albany. The John O'Connell Radio Club held Field Day at Diamond Heights. A teacher at the school who camped out with the boys said they did real good and learned a lot of real hamming on the trip. The Mission Trail Net held a breakfast at the St. Claire Hotel during the convention with most of the Bay Area check-ins attending. The AREC is busy on the air every Sun. As. with more calls adding to the list each week. The San Francisco Section Net also is adding calls to its 2-meter c.f. ancies: all four hide case on his lates of the San Jose Convention. Congratulations to SWP. PHT. QMO, and K6FCT on their BPL traffic totals for the month of June. ATO reports that PHS, Charles Bay, its a recent addition to the TVI Committee. GQA made a fine score of 2.9 parts per million on the May Frequency Measuring Test. Both PHT and QMO report fine outlets for Alaskan traffic. QMO reports a good outlet for Navy traffic. PHT reports a fine outlet for traffic to Japan. Oregon, and the East. K6FCT was good outlet for Navy traffic. PHT reports a fine outlet for traffic to Japan. Oregon, and the East. K6FCT was off the air for two weeks while overhauling the maintenance shop. GCV's 30-kc. generator did a good job for the SFRC on Field Day, 30 hours without a stop. The following clubs had good turnouts for Field Day activities: HA

ond can, or 1 M. Howard soon win have mis gear set up and on the air. The American Legion Net picnic at Visalia was attended by 75 people. Hams from this section were ARE, FEA, GCS, GEV, GRO, IEM, KMY, NGR, SJJ, SNF, WJF, and WUD. New officers of the Turlock Club are GYN, pres.; GIW, vice-pres.; ERE, secy.; K6CNT, sgt. (Continued on page 98)

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#### ROANOKE DIVISION

NORTH CAROLINA — SCM, J. C. Geaslen, W4DLX —Report consolidated by ARRL Headquarters pending recept of SCM nominating petitions called for on page 68, Aug. Q8T, Lumberton; SOD is our EC, OO, and OES, As a result of recent code classes we now have new hams (Novices) GIJ, GIM, GHR, GNQ, and HAY. A new class a result of recent roug crasses we now have new flams is to begin as soon as a meeting place is obtained. Ed Howell, of WTSB, who conducted classes, is glad to administer FCC code and written tests to all who are ready. TMY has a new Globe Scout. ZQZ has opened a TV shop. VOX (Tar Heel NC) sports a new Hudson "Jet." DCD (Racford) is resting up after NCNG encampment. Charlotte: YPY has a new Globe Scout and is completing a five-element wide-spaced 10-meter heam. He's on the Tar Heel Emergency Net. 3865 kc. AH, on 20 meters, has a 38-ft. guyed tower above 61 ft. of self-supporting tower for his four-element rotary. Traffic: W4YPY 2.

SOUTH CAROLINA—SCM. T. Hunter Wood, W4ANK—Reports from ECs indicate that Field Day activity was high this year with the following club groups reporting with operators as follows: Aiken 8. Pickens County 6, Columbia, Greenville 8, Charleston 6, Spartanburg 13, Rock Hill 5, DX operated mobile on Field Day, MVX has cleared up his antenna trouble and will be on obtained. Ed

County 6, Columbia, Greenville 8, Unarresum 6, Charles burg 13, Rock Hill 5, DX operated mobile on Field Day, MVX has cleared up his antenna trouble and will be on the air again soon. FM has his 304TL back in service and says it heats up his shack, AUL reports that YSU is installing 300-wat mobile, that LLH will be mobile soon, and that RXJ has left Florence for Nashville, Tenn. UFP reports that wedding bells rang for UFP and UNO on July 18th. PED is back on the air with 30 watts fixed and mobile after a long absence. AKC, former RM for North Carolina and present manager of the Fourth Region Net, has moved to Rock Hill and already is moving traffic from his new location. With AKC in the section ANK no longer can boast of being the only one in South Carolina to make BPL. Traffic: W4AKC 250, ANK 114, HDR 40, FM 5, TTG 3.

VIRGINIA — SCM, John Carl Morgan, W4KX — We know definitely of the following Field Day set-ups: ATQ/4, KEK/4, KQZ/4, PAY/4, RSS/4, LW/4, MK/4, RKC/8, UWS/4, WNZ/4, OOs IYC and PWX made nice showings in the May F.M.T. From the sound of things the Virginia LWS/4, WNZ/4, OS IYC and PWX made nie showings in the May F.M.T. From the sound of things the virginia gang was in there pitching during the c.d. dry run. A new traffic net is functioning, the Old Dominion Net, 3845 ke, Mon. through Fri. at 1300 EST. Net Manager is TFZ, who now has PAM appointment. New OPSs are CKI, DWP, TVO, and UBC. New OBS is OLD. TVO is doing a fine job as VFN Manager. We'll miss VMF, who is being transferred to Germany. 6JHY/4 reports from Norfolk, where he is at Navy Radio School. Reports of "summer-style" operation: CKI and his XYL, DWP, operate from their summer cabin; YZC plans to be on /4 from North Carolina. VPU says the thermometer pushed him out of the shack to 10-meter mobile. There are seads of mobiles to be heard almost any day on the VFN frequency, 3855 kc. BLR claims she's cut operating time in half, but still manages to be heard on plenty of nets and skeds, as well as helping ZFF, ZVE's how is 8REL in Ohio. TCK and WWM both passed out is planning to get the new 813 rig on the air. JUJ and BZE say they must concentrate activity during CD. SS, etc. ZFV is concentrating on v.h.f. experimenting. ZYV says he overcame basifidness and dove into traffic men, and gals he overcame basifidness and dove into traffic handing, despite his 25 watts. We can use more traffic men, and gals netnan, as well as the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK to climb trees and the roof to replace the big transmitting antenna, as well as the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK to climb trees and the two traffic men, and gals antenna, as well as the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK to Climb trees and the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK to Climb trees and the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK to Climb trees and the TV array. Traffic: (June) WFF V3/SK TVP P3/SK TVP P3/SK TVP P4/SK TV

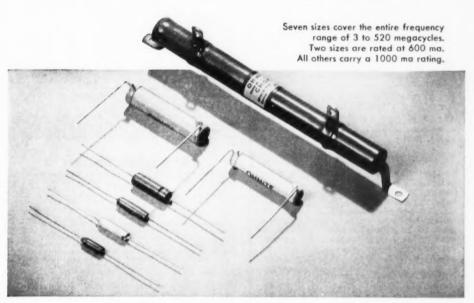
IF 7, ZVV 7, CKI 4, YZC 3, (May) W4TYC 39, CFV 23, LW 5.

WEST VIRGINIA — SCM, Albert II, Hix, WSPQQ—
SEC: YPR PAM: FGL, RMs: AUJ, DFC, GBF, and IIZA.
Congrats to GBF on excellent results in the May Frequency
Measuring Test. The Princeton Club is to be congratulated
on the fine ham pienic which they sponsored recently.
The turn-out was excellent. NYH has new mobile set-up
operating very well. PNR has new antenna for 75 meters
which does a bang-up job. The Huntington Club is making
good progress with its 50-Mc. C.D. Net. BWX is home
from M.LT. and is working at W83Z-TV. NII and GlO
are new AREC members. ATF and IJM moved to Weston,
VPO and HLF now are located in Virginia. They got
their same calls with the W4 prefix. The c.w. net is to be
congratulated on doing such a good job in its traffic work
this season. They will continue three nights per week
through the summer months. PRT has a fine mobile set-up,
IWB was elected president of the Tri-City Club with LGB
as secretary and ETF as vice-president. BKI is planning
on high power for 2-meter operation. He is doing very well
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(Continued on page 100)

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#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

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COLORADO — SCM. Karl Brueggeman, W&CDX —
SEC: MMT. K&WBN will conduct Novice and General
Class theory and code classes starting Sept. 21, 1954. All
interested in details call Les at Empire 6-5322 Ext. 610,
Fitzimmons General Hospital. The Convention was
success with over 200 registrations. We all want to thank
the Denver Radio Club and those who helped for a real
fine job. WLN and WRO received distinguished service
plaques for their unstinting work on behalf of the Convention. IUF has moved to Pueblo. KHQ has been QRL
around the house and has turned in a large goose egg for
June traffic. RTA has 18 regular traffic skeds and made
BPL. THZ is on So-meter cw. with a new home-brew
rig. DRY has an SCR-284 at home for c.d. AGU has a
new 2-watt mobile. A new net has been formed called the
Hi-Noon Net. It meets at 12 noon every week day on 3945
kc. Don't forget the Coffee Club that meets on 3985 kc.
every morning from 0600 to 0730. Last winter the net
did some very fine work dispatching Santa Fe trains when
the lines went down. The net covers Colorado, California.
Arixona. New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Kanasas. The last
c.d. drill turned out very well with all mutual aid areas in
operation. MMT has been doing a fine job and has gotten
ECs for all the areas. New ones are DBG, Greeley; RQC,
Craig; and SFS, Brush. Traffic: K@FAU 1620, WBN 1215,
FAM 672. WBB 655. W@RTA 608, BWJ 16, IA 9, AGU 7.
UTAH — SCM. Floyd L. Hinslaw, WUTM — Three
Field Day groups report activity in Utah this year. The
Ogden Club had twenty operators for the first spot, with
the Kayaville and Salt Lake City groups tossing for second
apout The Ogden group operated from Snow Basin and used
two transmitters. The Kayaville group operated from
Bountiful Peak, 9500 feet high, with two transmitters.
The Salt Lake City group operated from Murray Park,
also with two transmitters. Com messages were received
from the Saat SP now has his 2-neter transmitter going and
is looking for contacts. "Operation Alert" appeared satisactory from th

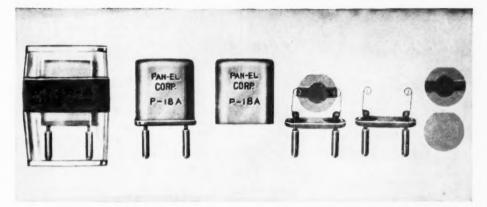
at the control station but good assistance was given in the test by TCC, BSE, GPN, TMK, ZN, LBZ, MQO, and RCP, Traffic: (June) W7UTM 23, QDJ 5. (May) W7TMK 68, QDJ 5.

#### SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

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ALABAMA — SCM. Joe A. Shannon, WaMI — SEC: ISD. RM: KIX. PAM: RNX. New appointments in the section are WoG as ORS and 3ONL/A as EC for Auburn. Three clubs report election of new officers: Birmingham — DFE, pres.; YXX., 1st vice-pres.; RRL, 2nd vice-pres. KNW. asocy.-treas.; WLM, rec. secy. Anniaton — SUF, pres.; PJB, secy.; and GBP, treas. Huntaville.—WOH, pres.; RQS, vice-pres.; IFF, secy.-treas.; WoF, asst. secy.-treas.; TKL. activities; and NiX., training. Just a reminder — AENB (c.w.) Net meets daily at 1900 on 3575 kc. AENP (phone) meets daily at 1830 on 3955 kc., and on sun. mornings at 1980. AENR (Birmingham emergency) Net meets Thurs. at 1900 and Sun. at 1300 on 29,560 kc. AENR reports that 170 stations reported in during June with three new members: XXX. FZE, and YYH. OAO is working DX with new folded dipole while TXO continues his building. He has finished two cyrstal-controlled converters for 75 meters which work! USM is now meeting UTL. Traffic: WaWOG 104, KIX 75, TXO 53. USM 52, RNX 46, EJZ 39, BJL 32, EBD 29, DXB 26, TKL 25, USM 42, BJL 21, BFM 13.

EASTERN FLORIDA — SCM, John W. Hollister, ir., W4FWZ — Typical of AREC in cd. "Operation Alert' was Dade Emergency Net as reported by PBS. DEN had 5 mobiles going, Operators included ITT, PSB, and BSX. The K. of Kc. held its 1000th meeting with W8 (charter member) in charge. About 72 stations were in on it. PUW is new MO and PNA is secy. RWM did a swell job during his tenure as MO. Now is the time to plan on getting into the c.w. traffic nets. See DVR on 3675 kc. 40? OK, write IYT. Alternate NCSs are needed. Bradenton: TAS says the club has permanent quarters in an unused school! Clearwater: AYX reports RACES activity. Daytona: IYT. Alternate NCSs are needed. Bradenton: TAS says the club has permanent quarters in an unused school! Clearwater: AYX reports RACES activity. Daytona: IYT. Alternate NCSs are needed. Bradenton: TAS says the club has permanent quarters in an unused school! Clearwater: AYX reports RACES activity. Daytona:



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Net, that ZQL is ANCS, that TKE moved up from St. Petersburg (on 50/144 Mc!), that OEX built cascode 144-Mc. converter for the club, and that WEG has gone to J-Land. Holly Hill: AYD says he has a new 20-meter beam, and that DKY is on 20-meter mobile. Jacksonviller (SZ) is the XYL of COW, MARS, cw. frequency is 3347 kc. Field Day was held at the lake cottage of RTJ with UHY. NKC, RIE, UHE, HKR, QCJ, ZJ, ATM, EEW, WEY, ZBE, BCF, BXT, and others, UHE reports 135 messages handled on special Armed Services Day booth, Key west ZUS is using Elmac AF-67/PMR-6A. Miami: DEN is getting QSIs for members from PAA, PBS reports nice 144-Mc, activity including UIW, GGO, IPW, CJT, and KQG, IYT reports plans for a Tri-County AREC drill for RC. Club officers are AZO, IEH, WYR, and QLC. IYT reports 106 AREC members! Okechobec PAT reports 106 AREC members! Okechobec PAT reports VBM using Elmac mobile, St. Petersburg: From the clippings sent often by EYI, I think St. Petersburg: the publicity change Traffic: W4DRD 207 EFET 14, LMT 71, WC Ge, 1MF, 55, TRU 41 IYT 38, RWM-25, WS 21, IAP 17, AYD 16, PBS 15, FWZ II, DES 2, ZUS 2, WM 1, AP 17, AYD 16, PBS 15, FWZ II, DES 2, ZUS 2, WM 1, EMSTERN FLORIDA—SCM, Edward J, Colling, WAMS (RE—SEC, PLE) PLE sends in an excellent

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Western Florida — ScM. Edward J. Collins, W4MS/E—SEC: Ple. Ple. Bends in an excellent report of AREC activity at Egin Field. CCV donated an HRO to the Penay Club station. UCY is happy now that 10 meters is open more often. BGG now has General Class license. The newest ham in this area is WN3GMS. YFF, YFG, DUB, HIZ, UW, ZFL, CGX, and MS took part in the cd. exercise. HJA has an FB new mobile antenna system. EQR is listening on 6 meters again. DAO/DEF is busy with 75 meters. MUX is editor of PARC. Ham News, YRF is taking over the problem of obtaining the Penascola High School Radio Club station license. NJB is getting set up in a new shack. RKH is giving 10 meters a whirl again. VR is 100 per cent 7-Mc. c.w. AXP runs him a close second. QK is reworking the mobile gear for AREC work. UUF is looking for a better 144-Mc. antenna system. UC and FDL promise about six new hams in the section from down at the store. UTB/VCB are on 20 meters as KA2NS. SOQ has completed the shack. 1REV/4 keeps the "V" beam going week ends. PTK/TTM made the Mobile Hamfest. ROM has been busy trading genr. BFD works 75 meters late at night because of working hours. SZH has left for VP7-Land. NOX/NYZ won a 4-250A at the hamfest. Please get in touch with PLE or ACB if interested in c.d. work. Traffic: W4MS 9.

GEORGIA — SCW. George W. Parker, W4NS — SEC: OPE. PAM: LXE. RM: MTS. Nets: Georgia Cracker Net meets on 3395 &c. at 0830 Sun. and 1900 Tuc. and Thurs.; Mobile Round-up Sun. at 1300. New beams are sprouting all over the Adlanta Area. DMO has a new 10-over-20. ORI has a new three-element for 20 Telrex. W14Fib. Bis a new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. NS is building a new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. NS is building a new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. MS is building an new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. MS is building an new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. Six building an new flower still failed to provide those last two states for FBH, he is still looking for Utah and Montans. TPL has a new mobile rig. Elmac throughout. MS is building an new m

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#### SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

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LOS ANGELES — SCM. Howard C. Bellman, W6YVJ — SEC-QJW. RMs: BHG, GJP. PAM: PIB. At this writing messages have been received from Field Day entrants R8U, 713, YaQ; RGL, ZAT, CG, MSO, QV, LDR, EKK, VIF. LS, K6FCZ, CEF, CLZ, and KN6EKY. We learned that CIX, a non-Observer, qualified in the May F.M.T. as Class I. HJK worked his first country across the Atlantic. Sweden. He reports that the Teen-Age Cactus Net, 7270 kc, meets at 1300 PDT Mon. through Fri. during the summer. Congratulations on becoming a certified member of LSN. Len. ZDO, who was one of the few on 420 Mc. on Field Day, reports he heard Yuma Airport on 433 Mc. for a half-hour on each of three nights in early July. Carle lives in Canoga Park. MLZ has sent out invitations to those interested to join with him in forming the Southern California. Electronics Interference Committee, at the suggestion of the local FCC office. The purpose will be to make available "relief or counsel to anyone confronted with an interference problem." I am joining; hope we can enlist the aid of many others. NCP respectfully reports the passing of the Whittier Police Chief who. Ira points out, was a good friend of ham radio. Mr. Smith was made an honorary member of the Whittier "Dic Chief who. Ira points out, was a good friend of ham radio. Mr. Smith was made an honorary member of the Whittier "Dic Chief who. Ira points out, was a graced by the presence of INJM. George Hart, of Head-quarters. Our SEC, QJW, tells of 160 meters showing 14 new stations, including Howard himself. Naval Air Missile Teet Station, K6CST, is on the air with 500 watts in a BC-610 and 600 watts from a T350XM "phone and 800 watts cw. JGS sent this in and claims the station regularly checks in MCAN-4. Roxanna Griggs, the XYL of KW. Southwestern Division Director, is on her own now with the call KN6ELO. UED, of Eagle Rock Radio Club (teen-age style), reports 9 members of the Club operated at Qv on Field Day, K6BCQ wants to know how to find the name of the telephone operator who announ

acted as NCS, with JYH located at field headquarters, and KOY and MAE as relay stations. It was a job well done. Civil defense "Operation Alert" was well covered throughout the State. However, your SCM received only one report, that from the Tucson Group, which handled 116 messages with the following stations participating: SPK, HUV, PLM, PEG, QHD, MQE, DRQ, LHD, LAD (EC), NYT, UCX, and VZJ. Field Day this year saw several groups scattered around the State: on Mt. Lemon, near Tucson, were QFQ, VIJ. JGZ working mostly c.w.; LAD, HUV, LHD, and LYR working 'phone; and TFG and 7 operators in town. SUI and one operator were at Coles Ranch; and OIF and 23 operators were on Mingus Mountain. We regret to report the passing of WNTUYB, Phil Pickins. New Novice: WFY, The OPRC elected PEG, pres.; NYT, vice-pres.; and LAD, secy.-treas. Appointees: Please send in activity reports. Traffic W7KOY 79, SUI 64, IRX 28, RUX 10, LVR SAN DIEGO—SCM, Don Stansifer, W6LRU—Asst. SCMs: Tom Wells, 6EWU; Shelley Trotter, 6BAM; Dick Huddleston, 6DLN, SEC; VFT, ECs: BAO, BZC, DEY, LN, FJH, HFQ, HRI, IBS, KSI, KUU, WYA, RM: ELQ, The San Diego County TVI Committee now has FAY as its head, All TVI complaints should go through P.O. Box 5227, San Diego. Congratulations to the 10-meter (Continued on page 106)

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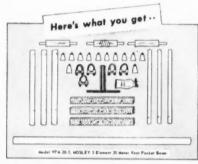
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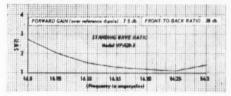
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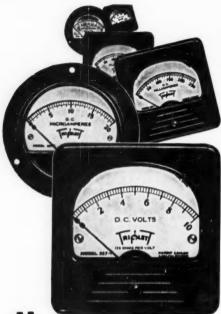
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SANTA BARBARA — SCM, Vincent J. Haggerty, W6IOX — Emergency Coordinator KFM reports a fine turnout for the June 14th drill with 27 operators in attendance; eleven mobiles on 2 and 10 meters participated. An emergency power unit was in service at the control station. Three XYLs were in attendance at the drill. FYW reports the Paso Robles Club made 243 contacts during Field Day operations; BIY, BOZ, BRY, FYW, YCZ. MSW, TOP, MSG, OXJ, and KN6BZT took part. K6ASB reports that the Ventura County Radio Club made over 500 contacts with its Field Day set-up. K6NBl was the sole raffic reporter for the month. The Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club reported by radio to the SCM from its operating base on La Cumbre Peak during Field Day operations. Traffic: K6

### WEST GULF DIVISION

Traffic: K6NBI 244.

WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS—SCM. T. Bruce Craig, W5JQD—SEC: RRM. PAM: IWQ. RMs: PCN, QHI. IWQ is recuperating from a recent illness. Fort Worth hams belonging to the Civil Defense Planning Committee are CVW, KVA, FIR, SLI, UXP, YUK, and Chairman and EC for Tarrant County, CVA. UXP is the NCS. The Tri-City Amateur Radio Club at Borger reports the following new officers: TWA, pres.; ZKI, vice-pres.; NDD, seey; and PSZ, TVI chairman. The Club has a Hutchinson County Emergency Net on 28,720 kc.; the mobile calling frequency is 3880 kc. YQO has transferred to Waco from the Oklahoma section. AQN now is in Amarillo, having moved into the section from Madisonville. LGY reports the following hams took part in Field Day at Bonham State Park: LGY, TYG, TKM, VYY, GZU. RXI. TMB, TMC, GML. LDS, MJN, SQT, ATG, RM, UCQ, and KUC. LGY took part in the mock bombing of Dallas. ZWR has moved into the Northern Texas section at Levalland, from Tulsa. It's good to have a traffic report from RDG, indicating that he is on the recovery list. NIC vacationed in Northern New Mexico and ran up a good score of 24 stations in his home town of Lubbock. JQD failed to get more than half that many when he was working from a remote spot in Culberson County, Texas, PTK is vacationing in Louisiana, where he will visit PTJ. ZOK is on vacation in Colorado, Traffic: June) K5FGI 734, W5TFB 222. UVC 194, UFP 128, KPB 116, YKE 30, TYX 28, RRM 27, DYU 18, RDG 18, YXR 16, XWR 76, X

of hot weather, summer static, vacations, etc. SCX is on the honor roll for OES reporting regularly. The Oklahoma 2-meter gang did its share on the transcent. Traffic W56V8 36, FML 87, WQ 42, KY 34, TNW 29, SWI 26, SWI 25, ADC 19, MFX 15, RST 15, FEC 13, GIQ 12, GVV 19, EHC 4, DW 4.

SOUTHERN TEXAS — SCM, Dr. Charles Fermaglich, W5F1F — As yet there is no complete report on the amateur activities during the recent Rio Grande flood. A lot of the boys did a great job. I heard one fellow say, "I wish I could (Continued on page 108)"



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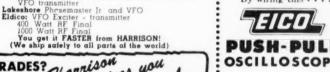
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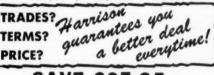


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have done something — I just listened and didn't transmit, because some others were handling the traffic." This man did a lot by standing by until needed and not QRMing the stations that were handling traffic. KSW, who is now home reports QJE, LSO, ZNT, OOG, CXS, QEM, QKF, LOW, YJB, FPE, NZH, and BRO stood by and handled traffic. Many groups in Southern Texas were active during Field Day but there should have been more. Next year we should nake a concerted effort to have a larger turnout. Listen for my new kw. I will be happy to work you on 75 meters. HRO is now single sideband. LSE has a new kw. and is starting on another one. NOT is heard on 75-meter mobile and is firing up a new 800-watt ris. OUG and his XYL have a new baby boy. BHO and family vacationed in Colorado. EKT, one of Houston's new hams, now is an OES. TIG is getting married in October. NN still is messing around. ADZ "ain't doing nothing. "TFA and 9CSK are preparing gear for the ninth rocket test. The last time they decapitated a cow. The four-stage rocket is expected to reach an altitude of 100 miles. URU is going to town on 40 and 75 meters since repairing lightning dhamage. ZBK is working 75, 40, and 20 meters with vertical on 40 and 20 meters. YVI has a new kw. URU has an FB mobile signal that really gets out town. He with Texific. With New York New York 100 and 100 miles. We have the untimely death of Ralph Lovy. BHY Texific. With New York 100 and 100 miles are well we wished the work of the untimely death of Ralph Lovy. BHY Texific. With New York 100 and 100 miles with regret that we report the untimely death of Ralph Lovy. BHY Texific. With New York 100 and 100 miles we with vertical on 40 and 20 meters with vertical on 40 and 20 meters with vertical on 40 and 20 meters. BHY Texific. With New York 100 and 100 an

and 20 meters with vertical on 40 and 20 meters. YVJ has a new kw. URL has an Fb mobile signal that really gets out. It is with regret that we report the untimely death of Ralph Levy, BHY, Traffic: W5KSW 19.

NEW MEXICO — SCM, G. Merton Sayre, W5ZU — PAM: BHW, V.H.F. PAM: FPB, RM: JZT. Field Day found most New Mexico club stations very active. Sandia reported 432 contacts, Mesilla 409 for 2616 points, Pecos 1407 points, In the practice alert on June 14th, 39 stations reported in on 3838 kc.; on June 15th, 37 stations were on. PLK, mobile, reported a fire in the Sierra Ladrones, and prompt reporting was made through the 3838 Nct. Three test messages for A.F. bases in New Mexico were handled during the test. Only Albuquerque and Los Alamos had city drills, with amateurs helping. QD relayed traffe from Ozono to Lovington State Police. In the May F.M.T. QHK had a vaverage error per million on three observations. CFE sends (Mc. RS) completed c.c. converter for 420 Mc. EDK has completed AX9903 crystal rig on 420 Mc. EDK has EJE, FPB, UEO, and WNL now have Vec-Dx CA-2 sixteen-element 2-meter beams. EYR is new on 2 meters. OIA, PQA, and YPP have Gonset Communicators. SUY and GYS are the only hams left in Gallup. FJT had to leave Gallup for health reasons. RFF has a new sixteen-element beam on 2 meters. He and others worked FAG east of Albuquerque 60 miles through for around Sandia Crest. The New Mexico Breakfast Club on 3818 kc. still is very popular. Traffic: WSCU 28, CEE 22, HJF 22, WPA 22, VNZ 19, RFK 17, BZB 13, BXP 10, BZA 10, CXC 9, OME 9, BAG 8, SQI 5, OIA 4, BH 3, WBC 3, FRP 2.

### CANADIAN DIVISION

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MARITIME — SCM. Douglas C. Johnson, VE10M —
Asst. SCM: Fritz A. Webb, DB. SEC: RR. ECs. EK, DQ.
VO6U. PAME: OC. VO6N. New OES is W78NR/VO6.
Hallfax AREC members taking part in "Operation Alert'
were RR, EK, OM. DB, PQ, WL. Binks Fisher, GC, and
PC, and mobiles PT, AW, and NO. EC EK reports a successful exercise. Best wishes to JP and his XYL on their
recent marriage. QY, EF, and OM are active on 50 Mc.
BH was a recent visitor to Halifax. DQ has moved to his
summer home at Grand Lake. Following are calls of some
of the clubs and individuals active on Field Day week end:
VE1s: NU, KK, AAM, GH, FO, JV, LC, VN, ND; VOs.
1D, 1X, 2F, 2L, 6H, K2C1S/VO3. This is the best showing
yet. Bouquets to AAW and her OM, Doug, for a fine hamfest on July 3 and 4. About 100 hams and families attended.
W2CO and his XYL were visitors from outside VE1. VO6N
reports the Labrador Net meets daily at 2200 on 3780 kc,
for the summer months. Other nets, please note. Congrats
to VO6U on WAC and WG8A awards. W4KVM/VO6 is,
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VEIUT 55, VO1T 43, VEIME 31, VEIDB 6, VEIOM 6,
W4KVM/VO6 5, VEIZZ 2.

ONTARIO — SCM, G. Eric Farquhar, VE3IA — Another Field Day has passed into ham history. Good weather
was experienced at all locations. With competition high,
everyone awaits the publication of final results. Participation in the event drew operators from many directions.
Several W2s travelled to VE-Land for the event; likewise,
we know of one VE3 who flew from the West Coast and
made it in time to take part. We welcome to ham radio
Marge, the XYL of NG, who got her ticket and call DZA.
BUR vacationed in Connecticut, and JU went to North
Bay and the Soo. AJR and DNV operate from summer
cottage. AUU reports the Quinte Club has purchased a gasdriven generator. DPV spent July and August in camp at
Haliburton. VC is NCS twice weekly on 3535 kc. on OSN.
BQP visits Mexico. BSW completed building the signal
racer. CAB turns in an int

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efforts as code instructor during the past five years. During that period he trained some 40 candidates and on the morning of Field Day 8 of his pupils passed their examinations with the R.I. The best wishes of the gang will follow Buster Doubleday. Radio Inspector, on his transfer from Toronto to Kingston, MZ visited ATR, WZMK dropped in on AI en route to Minnesota, Traffic: VE3ATR 163, NG 139, BUR 108, TM 70, IA 62, NO 46, AJR 35, KM 26, AUU 23, EAM 14.

BRITISH COLUMBIA - SCM. Peter McIntyre, VE7JT

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SASKATCHEWAN - SCM, Harold R. Horn, VE5HR SASKATCHEWAN — SCM, Harold R. Horn, VE5HR
— Thanks, fellows, for the fine job done during "Operation
Alert." Mr. Moxham deputy coordinator for civil defense in
Saskatchewan, was very pleased with the way traffic was
handled throughout the exercise. CW and Regina mobiles
did a fine job of dispatching and relaying to various center
throughout the section. AA, the Saskatoon Club station,
took an active part, being manned for the full period, handling relays, at CDHQ, it is with deep regret that we record. dling relays, at CDHQ. It is with deep regret that we record the passing of GG. George was an active c.w. man and will be missed by many. DR and his XYL and MK took in the Alberta Hamfest and Rodeo. DR won a prize as the ham with the least protection of his upper story. 5JK took first prize at the VE6 hamfest for the best mobile. Congrantations, Jack. HR still is getting new countries on 14 Mc. midst QRM. W#EIB/VE5 was on a fishing trip in Northern (Continued on page 112)



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Lakes. W2LDN/VE5, with Duke Ellington's Band, was a visitor at various points. 6YZ visited HR. Traffic: VE5CW 205, HR 37, RE 31, DS 18, FG 15, GO 14, LE 8, MX 6, BZ 2.

### I.A.R.U. News

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restriction on amateur licensing lifted (see page 33, June QST). The membership of OVSV is to be congratulated for their success in convincing the authorities of the desirability of amateur radio. Austrian amateurs now are permitted to work hams of any country not prohibiting such communications.

Regulations have been enacted which, in most respects, are not too different from those of other countries. Residents over 16 who can show proof of sufficient knowledge and skill are now being licensed. The application must indicate proposed maximum power, method of operation and specification of control equipment, and the applicant must already be the holder of a broadcastingreceiver license. Four classes of license are issued: Class A, power input up to 25 watts; Class B, power up to 50 watte; Class C, one year as Class B, power input 100 watts; and Class D, club stations only, with trustees who are citizens over 21, 250 watts. The examination, which includes a 12 w.p.m. code test, is conducted in public by a three-man board which is appointed for a three-year term in each of several districts. The board then deliberates in private and later announces the results. Apparently, the full Atlantic City frequency allocation for Region I is allowed. The license is good until revoked, provided the yearly fee is paid. Mobile operation is permitted. Other hams may operate a licensed station, with the licensee, of course, responsible for their actions. Third-party message handling is permitted only for messages concerning protection of human life, during the failure of normal systems.

### W/VE Contest

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A station using a power input of 30 watte or less will receive an additional multiplier of 2, and a station using from 30 watte to 100 watts will receive one of 1.5. The final score consists of "total points" multiplied by "sections" (times 7.11 in case of W/K stations) multiplied by the "power multiplier."

5) Each entry must be accompanied by the following declaration: "I hereby state that my station was operated strictly in accordance with the rules of the contest and governmental radio regulations, and I agree that the decision of the Contest Committee of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc., shall be final in all cases of dispute."

 All entries shall be sent to the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc., 535 Lanadowne Ave., Westmount, Quebec, Canada, and must be postmarked not later than midnight October 15, 1954.

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### V.H.F. Mobile

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phasing section are carried in the rear deck ordinarily, and just the bottom portion is used except when we need another 5 or 6 db.

### The Polarization Question

One of the time-honored arguments for vertical polarization in v.h.f. work is that it makes mobile operation more effective. There is no doubt that matching polarization does help to extend the range of the mobile station in open terrain, and vertical is certainly the natural polarization for the mobile. But cross polarization may not work as much hardship as might be expected. Over short distances, with elevated antennas and open terrain, the loss from cross polarization may run to 20 db. or more, but as the distance increases, and particularly as the terrain becomes more irregular, there is a considerable polarization shift. In very hilly terrain it is often difficult to tell which polarization is in use at the other end of the path, and it is not uncommon to find spots where cross polarization gives better signals than matched polarization. The same is true in cities, as the result of the numerous reflections from buildings, overhead wires and the like.

Tests we've made, both with the home station and the mobile, have shown that the use of horizontal polarization works no great hardship on the vertically-equipped mobile. Perhaps it would be a different story in completely flat terrain, but in the hills of western New England we have no trouble working the predominantly horizontal 2-meter stations of the Connecticut Valley. And, in a recent trip through western New York, we had good coverage over the rolling terrain south of Lake Ontario. When our travels have taken us into predominantly vertical areas, we've noticed no marked difference in effective operating range.

We have made a horizontal antenna, as shown in one of the photographs, but we've not found it of any great advantage up to now. Nor does it appear that we can hear the few vertical adherents appreciably better than their horizontal brethren when we use the regular whip. There are many ways of achieving horizontal polarization in a mobile antenna system, but none of them is beautiful or very convenient. The one shown in the last photograph is a gamma-matched dipole made of brass rod, bent around into a circle. It works well, apparently, and it shows a considerable gain over the whip when we are working the horizontal gang from a hilltop that is well above surrounding terrain. But at times like this we are not concerned with actual "mobile" set-ups ordinarily, and if we want to go to the trouble of putting on a different antenna, we prefer a portable beam of some sort. With a knock-down array, it is a simple matter to make it either horizontal or vertical, as local preferences may dictate.

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### Panoramic Adapter

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by reducing the band-scan width. The higher the frequency of modulation the farther away these pips will move from the center pip, the carrier. This is shown at B of Fig. 5. Single-sideband modulation, with carrier, has a similar appearance, but is minus one of the sidebands. (Fig. 5C.)

Single-sideband suppressed-carrier transmission appears as a single pip, or small group of pips, varying in amplitude and is most noticeable by its appearance and disappearance. (Fig. 5D.)

An f.m. signal appears as many deflections spreading over a variable bandwidth. During periods of no modulation, a single carrier appears.

An m.c.w. signal looks like a c.w. signal of periodically varying height, if only the modulation is keyed. If the modulation frequency is high enough, sidebands will be distinguishable.

Noise such as static appears as irregular deflections and flashes along the whole sweep. Noise due to electrical equipment operated from the power lines is likely to be synchronous or nearly so and will stand still on the screen or drift slowly from one side to the other.

If the receiver's rejection of the images is poor (most noticeable on the higher-frequency bands), the images appear as signals, but move in an opposite direction across the screen when the receiver is tuned.

### Operation

When the panoramic adapter is used with a receiver whose h.f. oscillator operates on the high-frequency side of the mixer, the lower frequencies appear on the left side of the adapter's screen, and the higher frequencies on the right. Some communications receivers operate the h.f. oscillator on the low-frequency side of the mixer on one or two of the higher-frequency bands, namely, 10 and 20 meters. When this is done, the high- and low-frequency ends of the screen are interchanged.

Most receivers operate with a.v.c. applied to the r.f. stages. If such is the case with the receiver to which the adapter is connected, the effect of the a.v.c. will be noticed on the adapter's screen. When a strong signal is tuned in it will reduce the amplitude of all the signals on the screen.

To check modulation, reduce the band-scan sweep to zero. A single horizontal line will be seen if no modulation is present. With the receiver tuned to the center of the carrier frequency, adjust the center-frequency control for maximum vertical deflection of this line. The gain control is now adjusted to center the line vertically. This d.c. level represents the strength of the carrier signal. As modulation is applied to the signal, it will appear across the screen with this line as its axis.

### Circuit Variations

Different sizes of cathode-ray tubes could be substituted for the 3AP1 at the builder's discretion without undue difficulty. Some of the larger-(Continued on page 118)

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Return-trace blanking was tried and found to be of little consequence. This is the reason for the unused socket as seen in the photos.

### Bandswitching Converter/Preselector

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the side of high inductance since the removal of turns is an easy matter even after all connections are soldered. After all bands have been aligned, readjust the oscillator to exactly 18 Mc., using the receiver and 100-kc. oscillator. Alternatively, the unit can be aligned by using as a "signal tracer" a borrowed receiver that covers the 21- and 28-Mc. bands, and adjusting each stage separately.

Check the rejection of direct signals by switching  $S_2$  to 21 Me. and  $S_1$  to direct. Pick up a strong signal at about 3.1 Me. Then switch  $S_2$  to "Conv." The signal should drop at least 7 or 8 S units if proper attention has been given to shielding the output of the converter and to the ground connections as previously indicated. Repeat the test on 28 Me.

That is about all there is to it, except to hook up the antenna and enjoy the results. You should now have a combination that is hard to beat, with plenty of what it takes to haul in that weak DX signal. The 21-Mc. band is an adventure in itself — don't pass it up because your present receiver only goes to 18 Mc.

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### Low-Cost Gallon

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Coax connectors are provided for r.f. input and output. The output line that goes to an antenna tuner was tried at first without tuning the line, and some mighty strange manifestations were wrestled with for a while. Adding a series condenser fixed up all of that, and now the final is very sweet to operate.

### Economizing

There are numerous cases of make-do with available items, hence low cost. For instance, the rectifier-filter unit, and the series booster for the plate transformer originally were two APQ-9-400-cycle radar-jammer power supplies (surplus cost \$1.50 each). These were hack-sawed apart and reassembled as shown in one of the photographs. The transformers were reconnected with (Continued on page 120)



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their primaries in series, and their secondaries in parallel, for both filament and plate. The chokes and condensers were rewired in various combinations of series and parallel to avoid exceeding their ratings too far. The two units just fit the space available at the bottom of the cabinet. Yes, the doors can be closed.

No meters were bought for the job. The 500-ma. plate meter is OK, of course. The 15-volt a.e. voltmeter can be used to indicate grid current, even though its scale doesn't apply. By means of two toggle switches, the grid current of either tube, or both, may be checked. A spare 5-ma. d.c. meter was mounted in the panel space formerly occupied by the "patient-load" resonating condenser. The milliammeter was converted into a 5-kv. voltmeter by adding 1-megohm ½-watt resistors in series-parallel.

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### Operation

The GO-9, used as the exciter for this amplifier, is operated at about quarter power, except when the final is running at maximum input. Then the exciter is run at half power. The final can be operated at plate inputs from about 160 watts with the autotransformer set at Tap 1, to a maximum 1000 watts on Tap 9 where the series booster is on full. On Tap 9, a dummy antenna was fed with gratifyingly rapid heating-up of the noninductive resistors, and thus it qualifies as an honest-to-goodness "full gallon." (The XYL, overhearing various conversations about how the "gallon" was coming along, once inquired about the "jug." And the Jug it has been ever since.)

One lives a bit more dangerously when pushing the voltages higher. The plate tank condenser used to are over unduly until an overlooked bent plate was discovered. The worst casualty thus far has been a punctured coax neutralizing condenser, while operating on Tap 8. The 2300-volt r.m.s. rated coax was replaced with an equivalent with 4000-volt rating, and no trouble has been experienced since. The extra power available is very useful in QSOs with the writer's son, W7PSR, in Tuscon, Arizona, where the noise level is notoriously high. Upping a few taps on the plate transformers often makes the difference between very poor and good QSOs. Reports from several who have worked us with both the GO-9 alone, and the GO-9 plus Jug, say that the note, keying etc., are identical, but the signal louder, with Jug. Apparently, the latter mirrors and amplifies what is fed to it which, after all, is what is expected of it.

The out-of-pocket cost of Jug was just under (Continued on page 122)

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Many thanks are due several hams for their help and sympathy, notably W1FTH, who also took the pictures, and W9CPV, W9DKW, and W7PSR (who now says he can relax).

### Lightning Calculator

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divided by 2, such as setting 2 inches diameter to 2 inches length. At half the number of turns per inch you want to calibrate, read the inductance. Now set length and diameter to I inch (each, half of 2 inches). Opposite half of the induct nce previously read, place a mark. This mark calibrates the turns-per-inch scale at the desired point. For instance, to calibrate a point for 200 t.p.i., set 2-inch length to 2-inch diameter. Read inductance 1400 opposite 100 t.p.i. Set 1-inch length to 1-inch diameter. Opposite inductance 700 mark t.p.i. 200.

### Frequency Scale

The frequency scale can be extended in either direction simply by marking off the intervals with a divider. The distance from 150 Mc. to 200 Mc. should be the same as from 15 Mc. to 20 Me., or from 1500 ke. to 2000 ke., etc. Similarly, the distance from 400 ke. to 300 ke. should be the same as from 4000 to 3000 kc., etc.

In conclusion, it should be reëmphasized that the error (percentagewise) is likely to be sizable in cases involving the smaller values of inductance and capacitance. The values indicated should be considered only very approximate, and subject to experimental adjustment.

### Silent Keps

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of these amateurs:

WHDY, William S. Koehler, Pelham, N. H. K2CCO, Arnold J. Schwartz, Malverne, L. I., N. Y. W2QKS, Charles H. Schrader, Clinton, N. Y. W3OW, Charles H. Walton, Downington, Penna, W3RUF, George D. Custer, Berlin, Penna. W4CA, John F. Wohlford, Roanoke, Va. W5HYA, Carl L. Fletcher, Colorado City, Texas W5ND, William C. Campbell, Orange, Texas K6ARG, James W. Smith, Long Beach, Calif. ex-6AU-6CO, Paul Clark, San Jose, Calif. W6CEU, A. C. Gall, Manhattan Beach, Calif. W6IF, Leslie J. Riedman, Long Beach, Calif. W6UBQ, Burton B. Wetherbee, Turlock, Calif. W8BLB, Frank M. Natherson, Parma Heights,

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### YL News & Views

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W3TYC — Miriam Reinhardt of Emporium, Penna., is Chairman for the Third District. The XYL of W3IIX, Miriam has built both a midget 50-watt and Heathkit transmitters, plus an antenna coupler, since receiving her license in May, 1952. She operates 80 and 40, 'phone and c.w. W6WSV — Carol Witte, the Sixth District Chair-

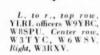
man, has been active in many capacities since first becoming interested in amateur radio when she was thirteen years old. Licensed in 1936 as W9WWP, she operated intensively for five years, particularly operated intensively for five years, particularly enjoying DX hunting with low power—still her chief delight. In 1952 as Asst. Communications Manager, she was the first ARRL woman staff member to hold a call, and in 1944 she became Acting Communications Manager. The first vice-president of the YLRL, she served two terms in that office, and in 1946 she was elected the first president of the Los Angeles YLRC and later served several













terms as the club's publicity chairman. Now residing at South Pasadena, Carol and her OM, W6WSW, can be found regularly on 20 c.w.

W8SPU — Helen Smith, Eighth District Chairman, has an "all-ham" family — OM W8QOV, son W8KGL, and daughter W8OSD, Virginia. Licensed since 1938, Helen has WAS, and she is now EC for Wyandot County in Ohio. Working more than 200 wohlle streiner here here here record interest. mobile stations has been her special interest.

### Keeping Up With the Girls

Thanks to OM W2LSD, Nils Michaelsen, for sending the Nov. and Dec. 1940 copies of his paper Etherettes. It was interesting to read the clever poetry of W6NAZ, Lenore (then W2NAZ) and to note items on W1FRO, Alice; W3CDQ, Liz; W5IGO, Thelma; and W8UDA, Dottie all of whom are still very active 14 years later. . . . Using club call W6MWO and operating Field Day at 8000 feet altitude in the Blue Ridge Mountains, 2-meter net members K6ANG, KN6ACF, KN6DRS, W6s DXI JZA and WRT of the Los Angeles YLRC logged exactly 100 calls on two, plus a number of contacts on lower frequencies (three-transmitter class). . . YLs who attended the Mobile, Ala., Hamfest May 30th were W4s AAN GDV NOX TTM VDL WJX WJU and W5TXK. . . . Ex-KZ5BM is now in (Continued on page 126)

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El Monte, Calif., as W6GST. . . . W5CHR, Jean, is active in the Knights and Ladies of the Roundtable and the West Texas Emergency Net. . . W4RLG reports that the Southern Belle Net meets each Friday on 3920 kc. at 0730 CST. Frances, the YLRL Fourth District Chairman, will be off the air until January, 1955, as the hospital at which is the in straying prohibits transmitters. . . On July 3rd in Syracuse, K2DYL, Joan Hofmann, became the bride of K2ATE, Al Michel, K2ATC was best man and W2WNO was an usher. . . . W8s FPT HUX HWX IAA LIV MBI Nas an usher. . . . Wse FPT HUX HWX IAA LIV MBI OSD SPU and WNSREI were present at the Great Lakes Net Picnic at Napoleon, Ohio, on June 27th. . . . WN9-VRM is a new 11-year-old YL from Gering, Nebraska, who is moving soon to Lava Beds National Monument, Calif. Susie's dad is WØIXL and her proud uncle is ARRL's General Manager WIBUD

### YLs You May Have Worked

[With this issue, a new column feature is inaugurated. Henceforth each month we hope to present a YL you may have worked or heard or know. The YL need not necessarily be BPL, DXCC, YLCC, etc., at all—the requisite for recognition is simply that she be a YL. The idea behind the project is to become better acquainted with more of the wonderful YLs of our hobby. So if you know a YL whose photograph and amateur biography you would like to see published here, write and let us know—and don't hesitate to tell us about yourself, either. -- Ep.]

OM W9OTL, County Supervising Teacher Clarence Wentland in Rhinelander, Wisconsin, suggested that the story of W9YUD, Dorothy Richter, might encourage more high schools to follow through with courses in radio theory and code with ham tickets for report cards.

In February, 1953, after a demonstration of amateur radio at her high school, Dorothy's interest flared, and soon code sessions and study of the License Manual sup-plemented regular school homework. A "first-class pep-talk" induced Dorothy's father to study along with her. With high school graduation in June, there was an added



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extracurricular diploma for both Dorothy and dad — General Class licenses and the calls W9YUD and W9YUB, and amateur equipment solved the graduation gift problem.

Now studying at Stevens Point State College, Dorothy

keeps daily schedules with her dad on 75 and 80.
W9OTL observes that, "As a future Home Economics teacher, Dorothy's ham radio hobby may be reflected in changes in house planning, taking into account some special radio facilities - maybe a new slant on cooking or sewing or even home management. Moral to her story: Let's get more high school students acquainted with ham radio!"

Addenda: Forty-four amateurs in three states recently received "Trail Blazing" citations issued by the Oncida County, Wis., School Department for their efforts in promoting the amateur school radio program initiated by W9OTL in 1952. Purpose of the program is to broaden the scope of school studies by arranging on-the-air discussions among different groups of pupils and between pupils and adults engaged in various professions. In Oneida County alone, as a result of the program, some 2000 pupils have spoken via amateur radio in the past 18 months.

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### Hamshacks

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such item but a flock of early DX was worked from that tiny space. Besides, one leap and I was in bed, lights out, when any "inspection" took place. Or conversely, early morning 80-meter skeds with 6CTO were a lot easier because I didn't have to dress. Just one long jump from bed to chair, turn on the 203, put the clip on the storage battery, wait till the "detector-and-onestage" lit up, and I was ready to go!

Then there was another "little-room" shack that I knew well, except that I never really got into it that is, not all of me. Out in Cleveland's east side lived Norm McConnell, 8BS (now W9??). Mac was a little guy, and whoever built his house must have had him in mind, for while Mac's closet shack was tall enough for him, it was not for a 200-pound near-six-footer. But cute - I'll tell the world! Tucked away in that closet shack, 8BS was as cozy as a kitten, and with the rig purring away, just as happy. But it was tough on a visitor, a big one anyway! Why, that shack was so small Mac had to put his Edison gramaphone out on the living-room floor when we played it into the microphone for the first 5-meter tests made in Cleveland. Too bad we didn't have subminiature components in those days: 8BS sure needed them!

Did you ever have a shack in the kitchen? I still can see 8CGI in a corner of a Cambridge, Ohio, kitchen with the "two-tuber" on the table, a single 210 on a shelf in the corner complete with plate transformer. Rectifier? Naw! Straight a.c.! Those were the rugged days before 1929! A kitchen shack was both good and bad. The op

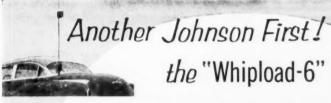


was close to the source of goodies but also too close to the sink. Need more be said?

The garage shack was popular in the '20s. How many recall that haven of rest, good rag-chews and super DX — Loren Windom's garage shack out on Franklin Avenue in Columbus? Windy's two-call station, 8GZ-8ZG, with the 75-foot downspout masts and the trolley wire off-center-

Although my Hamericana scrapbook holds a prized photo of Windy's shack in 1926, no photograph is necessary to bring back that long, simple operating bench with the 204 sitting in the corner and his famous "plate-glass receiver" resting in the center in front of a big op's chair.

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Winter or summer 8GZ's shack was aglow with DX, good ham chat and hams, not to mention the warm feeling as you pawed through the bushel baskets (yes, honest) of DX cards!

Something passed out of ham radio when those tall pipes fell and the Franklin Avenue 8GZ closed down for the last time.

The years roll on and hamshacks change but the spirit contained within their walls continues. Take a look at the 1936 shack of W6QD at Manhattan Beach, Calif. Two things stand out QD's antenna masts sitting in the surf and the "corn-fed kilowatt" in its wooden cradle rack! QD was located in a tiny, cozy apartment (made from a garage) right on the beach. How better to get an edge on Chuck Perrine, W6CUH, who lived high above on the hills overlooking the beach? I wonder which was the better location.

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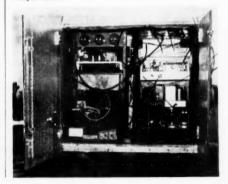
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### World Above 50 Mc.

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south. The 50-Mc. band open frequently during early summer for contacts as close as 400 miles. Single-ended 6AN4 and 5842 grid-input r.f. amplifiers for 50, 144 and 220 Me. now tamed and in regular use.

W6ZDO, Canoga Park, Calif. - Completed new crystalcontrolled 420-Mc. converter using 6J4 r.f., 6J4 mixer with i.f. output 48 to 55 Mc. working into modified ARR-3 for either a.m. or f.m. reception. Also increased power of 2-meter mobile to 170 watts.

W7TMU, Snohomish, Wash. - Keeping sked with VE7

on 50 Me. Monday nights; would like Oregon sked.

W7JHX, Port Orchard, Wash. — Completion of new 50-Mc. crystal-controlled converter improved results on 420, where the first i.f. is the 50-Mc. band. Completed work on sync generator for TV rig. using 46 tubes. A 10,000-Mc rig now also complete, including a.f.e. circuit. Puget Sound 2-Meter Net meets each Monday night at 2000 MST, 145.8

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W8UZ, Columbus, Ohio — From 20 to 25 stations heard regularly on 144 Mc. in Columbus area, Six-meter DX gged 19 days in June, including VE2UF, who was running watts input, June 27th.

W9KLR, Rensselaer, Ind. — W0IFS and W0TJF worked on 144 Mc. the night of June 26th — first Minnesota sta-- WØIFS and WØTJF worked tions heard other than by aurora. Experimenting with long Yagi arrays, starting with 8-element job on 10-foot wooden pole. Shows considerably more gain than previous 5-element. Worked 15 states between July 5th and 15th

W9LEE, Westboro, Wisc. - Excellent opening June 26th brought in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Minnesota and South Dakota all at once. Many stations now getting South Dakota contacts, thanks to W@RSP, Marvin, and W@ORE, Gary, S. D. Building automatic keyer with view to stirring up band to the east during last hour of sack time.

WØMOX, Overland Park, Kans. -Note to Illinois stations: Several of you heard over here from time to time, but no contacts possible because you don't stand by and look around often enough. How about turning your antennas rest and giving the Kansas stations a break now and then? W#DSR now has his 2-meter rig running on s.s.b., with fine signal on the crystal-controlled converters. Is this the first successful 144-Mc, s.s.b.?

VO6U, Goose Bay, Labrador - Our most remote OES reports 50-Mc, openings to eastern USA. How about getting up there OMs and giving the boys a break? Experimenting on 220 Mc, with VO6R and W7SNR/VO6.

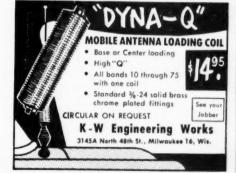
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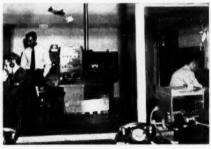
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The photograph shows three of the four operating positions of AF6AIR. Two positions on



AF6AIR

the left, not shown, use BC-610 transmitters and SP-600-JX receivers. The man standing in front of the hidden operator is the station chief, T/Sgt. Rodriguez. The center of the picture shows an operating position utilizing a Globe King transmitter.

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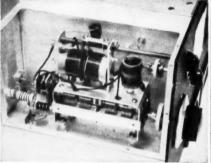
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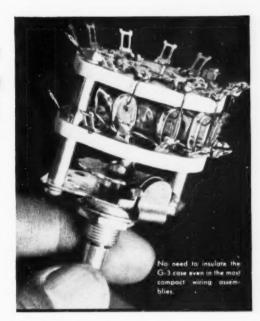


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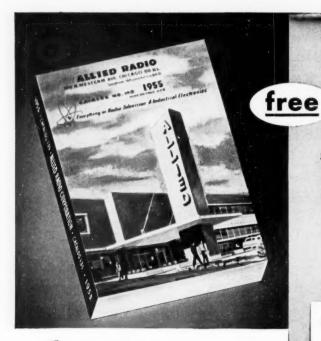


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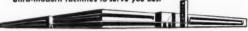






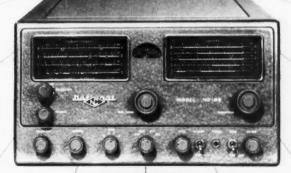
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RCA No.	Туре	DC Plate Input (watts)	DC Plate Volts
2E26 807 810 811 A 812 A	Beam Power Beam Power Triode Triode Triodo	40 75 750 260 260	600 750 2500 1500
813	Beam Power Twin Beam Power Twin Beam Power Twin Beam Power Triede	500	2250
815		75*	500
829B		120*	750
832A		50*	750
833A		1000	3300
5763	beam Power	17	350
6146	Beam Power	90	750
6524	Twin Beam Power	85	600
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8005	Triode	300	1500

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